

## 'Changes Obvious'

## Opposition Rips Probe

● Annual reports, other opening day stories, Pages 14, 15, 16, 19, 31, 33.

Leaders of both the New Democratic Party and the Liberals in the legislature Thursday attacked the government for appointing a royal commission inquiry into B.C. drinking habits instead of passing new liquor laws this session.

### Speech At Glance

● Royal commission will probe B.C. drinking habits. (See Page 15.)

● A provincial Human Rights Act will extend its principles into new and more challenging areas.

● Merger of B.C. Supreme and County Courts, with raised status for Magistrate's Courts and the provincial government paying the salaries of magistrates at an estimated saving of some \$750,000 a year for municipalities. (See Page 19.)

● New consumer protection legislation.

● Establishment of a Law Reform Commission promised by the government last fall.

● Legislation will facilitate development of a national park at Long Beach on the west coast of Vancouver Island. (See Page 33.)

● The government will stress education and health services at the coming session. Educational programs at all levels will be improved and expanded.

● The Weston royal commission report on automobile insurance in B.C. will be placed before the legislature forthwith, with a good chance that its recommendations will be referred to a committee for study.

● Legislation requiring mining companies, including those engaged in open-pit mining, to meet satisfactory aesthetic and environmental standards, will be introduced and may be subject of public hearings before a legislative committee.

● A division of special education will be established to help solve the problems of educationally handicapped children throughout the province.

● The government will continue to "pursue vigorously" its attack on pollution on land, water and in the air. Legislation will assure appropriate observance of the 100th anniversary of B.C.'s entry into Confederation in 1971.

● Programs to establish community housing units for the mentally retarded and psychiatrically disabled will be expanded in keeping with decentralization of mental health services.

● The total number of public housing units in the province will be doubled in the next two years. (The speech contained no reference to new aid for private homeowners which the government has promised this session.)

● Plans are also "well advanced" for extension of natural gas service to Vancouver Island by way of an underwater pipeline from the mainland. (See Page 19.)

● The speech makes reference to the 50th anniversary of the Civil Service Commission and praises the quality of the civil service but gives no hint of meeting requests for collective bargaining rights.

### Speech From Throne

# Rights, Liquor Look Head B.C. Job List



## Prague Braced for Funeral

## Rites Riots Feared

Colonist Las Angeles Times Service

PRAGUE — The tensely anxious Prague government warned Thursday it was taking "every legal means" to prevent the massive funeral ceremonies for the young student who burned himself to death from erupting into disorder.

Already during the day the government's security forces were unobtrusively taking up strategic positions throughout the city in preparation for what may well become one of the largest and most emotional public gatherings accorded to any individual funeral in many years.

The body of the student, 21-year-old Jan Palach, is to lie in state from 10 a.m. until 10 p.m. Friday in the great Gothic Carolinian Hall of Prague's Charles University.

Special buses and trains have

been arranged to bring students and other citizens from all over the country to participate in the march past the catafalque and in the funeral procession to the cemetery on Saturday.

Judging from the mourning procession which marched through the centre of Prague on the day after Palach's death — in which an estimated 150,000 persons

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### Buildings Now Kindling

Some buildings splintered into kindling, others almost untouched — this picture is typical of part of Hanelhurst, Miss., after early morning tornado, hop-scotched through community to kill at least 10 here and about 20 in other nearby districts. Storm roared in "so loud you couldn't hear" for amazing blow lasting two minutes. — (AP)

## Gunpoint 'Confession' Wrung from Skipper

CORONADO, Calif. (AP) —

The skipper of the Pueblo, tears streaming, his voice an anguished cry, said Thursday North Koreans attempted to

force a spying confession from him by pretending to shoot him as he knelt before them, so shaken he could say only: "I love you Rose, I love you Rose."

He said he finally confessed later after they threatened to shoot his crew one by one, starting with the youngest. He said that night he tried to commit suicide by drowning himself in a water bucket, but was unable to do so.

Omdr. Lloyd M. Bucher's blonde wife, Rose, sobbed and dug her fists into her eyes as she heard her husband testify before a United States Navy board of inquiry. It has warned him he may have violated regulations by surrendering his intelligence ship.

'GUN CLICKED'  
The 41-year-old officer, describing interrogation by his captors, said a North Korean shouted as Bucher knelt: "Kill the son of a bitch."

Bucher added, referring to a guard with a gun pointed at his head: "The gun clicked, but it didn't go off, and I didn't hear a shell fall to the floor. I felt sure they were going to shoot me."

He said his captors showed him a man they said was a South Korean who had bitten through his lip during torture while strapped to a wall and told him: "That's what happens to spies, and you are spies, and you will get exactly the same."

"I passed out," he said. Bucher was in his fourth day

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### Courts Face Reform

By IAN STREET  
Legislative Reporter

A royal commission to probe B.C. drinking habits and new legislation to protect human rights in the province highlight the Speech from the Throne read by Lieutenant-Governor John Nicholson at the opening of the legislature Thursday.

Premier Bennett told a press conference the royal commission, to be appointed by the cabinet shortly, would provide a "thorough look-see into the whole liquor situation in the province."

He said it wasn't a delaying action in the face of mounting public demand for a change in B.C. liquor laws, and indicated some changes which the commission might recommend in an interim report could result in changes in regulations within "a couple of months."

#### CONFRONTATION

Promises of a new provincial Human Rights Act, consolidating existing laws in this field and moving into "new and more challenging areas," raised the possibility of a new confrontation with Ottawa, which has proposed a new Bill of Rights to be enshrined in Canada's constitution.

In the B.C. brief intended for delivery at the postponed federal-provincial constitutional conference last December, Mr. Bennett said: "This federal proposal (for a new bill of rights) appears to conflict with the plea for unity in diversity, which has such importance in parts of Canada, and moreover to place these rights beyond the reach of the parliamentary institutions of the country by entrenchment is to argue for more rigidity rather than less in the constitutional arrangements by which Canadians govern themselves."

#### COURT REFORM

Attorney-General Leslie Peterson, who will be the first major government speaker of this session, will explain the government position on a new B.C. human rights bill in the legislature next Tuesday afternoon, the premier said.

During the attorney-general's opening speech, Mr. Bennett added, the House will also be given an explanation of proposals to reform B.C. courts and to establish a B.C. Law Reform Commission, first promised last fall.

The throne speech said the legislature would be asked to consider "certain major improvements in administration of justice in British Columbia."

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## State of Emergency

## Caracas Slum Overrun By Guerrillas

CARACAS (UPI) — Uniformed Venezuela communist "urban guerrillas" took control of the Silsa slum district of Caracas Thursday night and battled a huge force of police and security units. The city was declared under a "state of local emergency."

The police report said reinforcements from the municipal police, political police and other security agencies encircled the slum district, part of the industrial "Cafia" sector of western Caracas, about 7 p.m. Heavy sniper fire was reported.

The state of emergency was declared and reinforcements dispatched after the communist terrorists machinegunned a police car in Silsa, wounding all four occupants. Police began raiding homes and apartments in pursuit of the guerrillas and later reported the neighborhood had been "taken" by them.

#### GUERRILLA CHIEFTAN

It was the second attack on Caracas police by so-called "urban guerrillas" Thursday.

Police said members of the "Armed Front of National Liberation," a pro-Castro group headed by Venezuelan communist guerrilla chief Douglas Bravo, opened fire earlier on a group of policemen in the Caracas slum district of El Guatardo.

### Explosives, Chemicals In Wreckage

HARRISBURG, Pa. (UPI) — Fourteen cars of a Reading Railroad freight train, including four carrying military explosives, missiles and ammunition, were derailed Thursday near Grantham.

The water supply to Grantham was shut off for several hours when it was discovered chemicals were leaking from a derailed car and might seep into a water main supplying the town.

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## Finance Wizard Dies at 62

TORONTO (CP) — Wallace

McCutcheon, 62, former senator and federal cabinet minister who earned a reputation in business as a financial wizard, died in hospital Thursday.

Death came at 4:30 p.m. at Wellesley Hospital where he was taken after suffering a stroke at his Gormley, Ont., home late in the morning.

Funeral services will be held Monday at 2:30 p.m. at Timothy Eaton Memorial Church in Toronto.

McCutcheon is survived by five children, all of Toronto and nine grandchildren. Born May 18, 1906 in London, Ont., McCutcheon was summoned to the Senate in August, 1962, and resigned before last June's federal elec-



McCutcheon

tion. He was unsuccessful in his 1967 bid to win the national leadership of the Progressive Conservative party which went to Robert Stanfield.

Director of a large number of industrial and financial companies before he became a senator, he was appointed minister of trade and commerce Feb. 11, 1963, by John Diefenbaker, then prime minister. He served until April, 1963.

Once launched on a political career, McCutcheon made plain his political philosophy as an unabashed Conservative and unrepentant capitalist. He was opposed to national medical care, guaranteed annual income and any form of anti-Americanism.



ANDY CAPP



## Reporter's Life Gets Once-Over

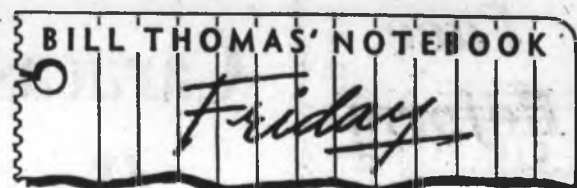
AS YOU REQUESTED: To Commissioner Cudde RCMP from Cpl. Jewels La Verne, report as requested by Prime Minister on activities of Daily Mail reporter Giles Meddlesome-Bedworthy. As requested, special attention was given to social habits of suspect and his colleagues for one week. Report in triplicate attached. Top priority. Maximum security. Not to be leaked to cabinet.

**MONDAY:** Infiltrated Daily Mail office as cub reporter. Subject hung over, spent most of time hunting for change to use coffee machine. Only limited time available for close observation as I was assigned to a multitude of rewrites by city editor. Subject spends time relating lewd stories to colleagues. Probably his imagination.

Subject seen in company with two women. He was tailed but it was a dead lead. The women were nuns. Bedworthy doubles as church editor.

**TUESDAY:** Faked Hong Kong flu so that I could get time off to observe subject on his day off. Bedworthy picked up several small boys in his car and they drove off into the country. This looked very promising for the Prime Minister, but unhappily it turned out Bedworthy is a Cub leader and they watched birds all morning. One child was seen to fall into a pond but was pulled out by subject, who fell into pond and got very wet. I posed as a hippie to keep him under observation until I was asked to move on by a park attendant. I refused to move but was told I would be charged as a vagrant. I moved.

**WEDNESDAY:** Arrived at office early and searched desk drawers. Promising lead



came from desk of copy editor who writes television column. Plastic bag of a green, plant-like substance. A sample has been forwarded to the laboratory for analysis.

Two men were assigned to peep through the window of Bedworthy's home. The window has higher than expected. One man was forced to climb on the back of the other to see through the window. Before they saw anything, they were arrested by local police. Could headquarters get charges of committing an indecent act and trespassing by night cancelled? Bedworthy was called by police, but he just laughed.

**THURSDAY:** Promising day that went sour. Undercover agent Cpl. F.O.T. Head climbed a ladder to an upper window at the Meddlesome-Bedworthy home to take photographs. After an hour in zero weather his lens fogged, but he stayed on the job. He saw subject prancing around in a woman's slip. Later the subject was seen in a mini-skirt. The photographs were excellent. A listening device in the Bedworthy home spelled everything. A female voice said on the tape, "If you don't keep still, I'll do more than stick pins in you while I'm trying to fix this hem." Sorry about that.

**FRIDAY:** The green plant-like substance was a misfire. The lab said it was a variety of herb tea used by people

with upset stomachs. I have since found out it belongs to the financial editor. The lab also made a terrible mistake. The stuff they sent back was real marijuana but by the time they told me, I had mixed it back in with the financial editor's herb tea. He seems about the same, so far.

**SATURDAY:** Bedworthy and I covered two service club luncheons in the one day. Bedworthy had a great time, but I was sick after the second lunch. He said if I am not better in a day or so I should call the workmen's compensation board because the food was eaten in line of duty.

I must conclude, Sir, that reporters have either no yen or little ken of the facts of social life. In an effort to draw out the subject, I asked Bedworthy if he would like a date with a young woman. I suggested the subject could swing with the young set like Pierre (I would urge this bit of familiarity be excluded from the official report) but he said, "What do you think I am—a dirty old man? That girl is only 29 and I am 47!" That hardly seemed to fit in with the purpose of this surveillance.

Possibly we could try somebody different next week, or maybe the prime minister's office could give up on the sex lives of reporters. P.S. Could I go back to checking the stolen car lists? I need the excitement.

## Steady Sniffles Call for Action

By G. T. THOMSON, MD

Dear Dr. Thomson: My granddaughter is a healthy child, slim, blonde and blue-eyed. However, she seems to have constant attacks of sniffles and runny nose.

They took her to a pediatrician who said that blond, blue-eyed children are more subject to sniffles, colds, etc. He told the mother to cut out milk from her diet (other than on breakfast cereal).

This didn't sound logical to me at all, as I was of the opinion that all children should have plenty of milk. And why are blond, blue-eyed children more subject to sniffles. Doesn't that sound silly? Shouldn't they consult another doctor before excluding milk?—Mrs. J. B.

You may be under the handicap of having gotten only

a partial report of what the doctor said. I'll see if I can help you.

The comment about blond (and red-headed) people may not be so entirely silly as you think, because there are constitutional types that have less resistance to disease than others. However, I would suspect that the doctor may have noticed characteristics other than the mere matter of coloring. Furthermore, some are decidedly more vulnerable to allergies—and allergy can be important.

It is entirely true that a child should have plenty of milk—or its equivalent in calcium, protein, and other constituents.

However, children who are subject to allergies sometimes are allergic to cow's milk. The

sniffles might (or might not) be a symptom of such allergy.

I would suggest having the youngster checked by an allergist or a nose-throat specialist, or perhaps both.

Dear Dr. Thomson: I am 14 and have had terrible cough ever since I can remember. It is not a habit as there seems to be a tickling in my throat. Is there a cure for it?—N. M.

It is unlikely that such a cough is a habit. At your age some sort of allergy would be my first suspicion. Chronic infection of tonsils or adenoids could be a factor. To be on the safe side, I would also suggest a tuberculin skin test and x-ray and thorough examinations of nose, throat, and lungs. Don't just go on coughing. Find the cause.

## The Weather

JAN. 24, 1969

Cloudy with intermittent snow. Cold. Winds light, occasionally northeast 15. Thursday's precipitation trace; sunshine nil; recorded high and low at Victoria, 28 and 20. Today's forecast high and low, 28 and 20. Today's sunrise 7:53 a.m., sunset 5 p.m.; moonrise 10:40 a.m., moonset 10:09 a.m.

**East Coast of Vancouver Island**—Cloudy with intermittent snow. Winds southeast 15. Thursday's precipitation 0.1; recorded high and low, 24 and 15. Today's forecast high and low, 25 and 15.

**West Coast of Vancouver Island**—Cloudy with intermittent snow. Winds southeast 15. Forecast high and low at Tofino, 30 and 20.

**North Coast**—Gale warning in Mainland inlets; some snow-furries. Queen Charlottes sunny, cloudy periods, some snow, Sat-

urday outlook, cloudy periods, colder.

**Five-day outlook**—Temperatures will average 10 degrees below normal, and precipitation less than normal.

READINGS	Max	Min	Prep
Palm Springs	35	21	—
St. John's	20	17	—
Halifax	44	28	—
Montreal	40	39	—
Ottawa	35	17	Trace
Toronto	40	31	—
North Bay	41	33	0.1
Port Arthur	0	—	0.08
Regina	0	—	0.28
Churchill	—28	—37	—
The Pas	—10	—24	—
Winnipeg	—8	—23	0.03
Brandon	—18	—38	—
Regina	—11	—38	0.13
Saskatoon	—21	—38	Trace
Prince Albert	—32	—48	Trace
North Battleford	—23	—38	Trace
Swift Current	—15	—32	Trace
Medicine Hat	—22	—44	—
Lethbridge	—21	—45	Trace
Calgary	—29	—48	Trace
Edmonton	—14	—41	—
Kimberley	—5	—33	—
Castlegar	—4	—30	Trace
Penticton	—5	—34	—
Vernon	—1	—31	—
Revelstoke	—1	—39	—
Princeton	—3	—35	—
Vancouver	28	20	—

Prince Rupert	28	18	—
Donkey	—2	—5	Trace
Prince George	—2	—5	Trace
Kamloops	—4	—30	—
Milestones	—4	—31	—
Fort St. John	—9	—28	—
Seattle	50	37	—
Spokane	5	—13	Trace
Portland	38	19	—
San Francisco	45	33	0.4
Los Angeles	60	51	Trace
Phoenix	65	55	—
Las Vegas	54	48	—
Chicago	30	45	0.08
Miami	77	68	—
New York	43	34	0.07
Honolulu	75	55	—

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28	04.55	10.5	08.00	10.3	21.11	1.4	10.17.55
29	05.10	11.0	08.15	10.2	22.12	1.5	10.20.55
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# Prague Fears Funeral Eruption

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participated — the funeral procession might well far exceed that number.

Not only Prague but the whole nation has been in a state of tension and crisis ever since Palach set himself on fire just a week ago in Prague's great Wenceslas Square, leaving behind a note protesting the loss

of freedoms under the Soviet occupation. All week long, students in the capital and other major cities have been mounting temporary

memorial cenotaphs with national flags and black mourning banners, floral wreaths and sit-ins in their faculty buildings, and several have staged brief hunger strikes in support of young Palach's demands for the end of press censorship and the banning of the Soviet occupation newspaper Zpravdy.

A fifth attempt at suicide by burning within a week was announced Thursday night by Prague Radio as tension mounted in preparation for the Saturday funeral of Palach.

The fifth victim, according to the Radio, was Kosef Jaros, a 23-year-old worker from Znojmo, near the Austrian border. Jaros set himself alight Jan. 21, but news of his attempted suicide first became known Thursday. He was reported to be burned on hands and face but, according to an official report, "there is a chance of saving him."

Students have bypassed the censors by putting out reams of mimeographed news reports, resolutions and open letters which have been stuck up on street corners, lamp posts and every other possible place where large knots of passersby can gather to get the latest news. The university mimeograph machines have indeed become a mighty weapon in the students' hands.

They have reported that the authorities in other regions of the country have been much more stern against public demonstrations than have the Prague city officials.

In the Slovak capital of Bratislava Communist authorities have banned the kind of mourning march that was held in Prague and threatened to crack down on student meetings, even on the usually sacrosanct "academic soil."

Slovak Communist party chief Gustav Husak was reported to have charged that the student movement had gotten out of hand and had been exploited by "outside forces."

This brought a strongly-worded protest from university students, who charged the Husak

regime was preventing the flow of information about what was going on in the sister state of Bohemia. Students challenged him to come and meet with them to discuss their complaints and demands.

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## 'Opposition'

Strachan. "I've seen some throne speeches that said very little, but none to equal this one."

"It's like the schoolboy telling his mother all the good things he's done without telling her that he has torn his pants."

Mr. Strachan said the only other point worthy of mention was the proposed reorganization of B.C. courts, upgrading magistrates' courts and merging the Supreme and County Courts, which the NDP feels will improve the administration of justice.

**FULL SUPPORT**

"There is no doubt this will receive the unanimous support of the legislature," he said.

Dr. McGee said he felt the throne speech lacked the excitement which it should have if B.C. is to thrust ahead into the future under a new, young, dynamic government.

He said he would outline Liberal proposals in his speech to the legislature Monday.

**EXCELLENT MODELS**

Meanwhile, he said the Liberals supported the idea of a provincial human rights bill, and suggested B.C. would find excellent models for its proposed legislation in Ontario, Manitoba, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island. But he said the government should appoint a human rights commission to see that citizens' rights were protected. Dr. McGee said the proposed legislative controls over mining operations, including those en-

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**'I Should Have Been a Nazi'**

## Bonn Leader Quits Over Protests

BONN (UPI) — West German Parliament President Eugen Gerstenmaier, a member of the plot to assassinate Adolf Hitler in 1944, resigned Thursday under a storm of protest over the amount of cash compensation he accepted for his treatment by the Nazis.

Gerstenmaier, 62, said in a statement his resignation would take effect Jan. 31, but he indicated he would preside over none of the parliamentary sessions between now and then.

Before stepping down from the post he has held for 14 years, Gerstenmaier asked for and got statements from each of the three parliamentary parties confirming that he had acted entirely within the law in collecting more than \$70,000 compensation from the government.

From his own Christian Democratic Union, he demanded and received an additional statement that it "honors with respect and thankfulness his personality, his political resistance

to the National Socialist (Nazi) regime and his services to the Federal Republic of Germany and, in particular, to the federal Parliament."

Gerstenmaier told the Christian Democrats their statement "makes it possible for me to return to your ranks."

### SEVEN YEARS

Gerstenmaier was sentenced to seven years in prison for his part in the July 20, 1944, officers' plot to assassinate Hitler and overthrow the Nazi regime. American soldiers freed him in May, 1945.

But Gerstenmaier claimed and received compensation two years ago for the full university professorship he said he would have held since 1943 had he not been an anti-Nazi.

By comparison, he was awarded 14 times as much as Martin Niemöller, a well-known minister, was paid for the seven years he spent in Nazi concentration camps.

The unusual amount of Gerstenmaier's compensation, and the fact he received it also for all of the years since the war even though he made no attempt

to return to teaching after 1945, touched off the criticism.

Public anger was poured on him earlier this month when he hit back at critics of the reparations payments with: "I

should have been a Nazi, then I wouldn't have had to defend myself."

This was taken as a blast at among others, Chancellor Kurt Georg Kiesinger, onetime Nazi

## Air Bigwigs Reach No Verdict

MONTREAL (CP) — The 27-member council of the International Civil Aviation Organization adjourned Thursday for further consultations on Lebanon's complaint against Israel's attack on Beirut airport last month.

The fourth meeting of the extraordinary session is scheduled to resume today when Spain is expected to present a draft resolution.

The Spanish delegate speaking at Thursday's meeting said the letter and spirit of the ICAO convention had been violated by the Israeli attack, but that the council should decide on measures against all acts of violence and prevent them from recurring.

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## The Throne Speech

THOSE WHO LOOK for election clues in the Speech from the Throne delivered Thursday by Lieutenant-Governor John Nicholson will likely end up as uncertain as before. But it has the potentiality of a pre-election Throne speech. It is full of optimism and, in broad terms, of intent to press ahead in social development as much as in economic development.

As usual, Premier W. A. C. Bennett's budget speech, probably to be made on February 7, can be expected to reveal considerably more detail of the government's plans than the opening address. But it is apparent that Mr. Bennett intends this to be a particularly active session, and one that dams some of the flow of criticism which has been coming from his political opponents.

In one area where the government has been under particularly strong attack—education—the speech is oddly deficient in forecasts of improvement. It goes not much farther than saying that the legislature will be asked to expand and improve services in the field of education to persons of all ages and at all levels of academic attainment. But, apart from what may come later, this must be coupled with Education Minister Donald Brothers' announcement of increased grants toward school operating costs.

In numerous other areas of concern to the people of the province the speech appears to foreshadow satisfying advances. At this stage, one can particularly commend the government's intention to "pursue vigorously its attack on pollution . . . on land, on water or in the air," its proposal to appoint a royal commission on liquor laws, last reviewed in 1952, and to name another commission on law reform to keep B.C.'s laws up to date; its plan to reconstitute the provincial court structure—which among other things will relieve municipalities of the cost of magistrates' salaries—and its proposal to consolidate existing legislation into a Human Rights Act.

## Dangerous Strain

IT IS DIFFICULT to argue against the conclusion that this country has been too long and too deeply preoccupied with propitiating the people of Quebec. It is a natural tendency of political leaders to placate a demonstrative minority in the hope of winning votes; but the point has been reached where few major policies are not determined by Quebec reactions or by the fear of them.

Quebec, in a very real sense, has been in a position to hold to ransom any aspiring party or, for that matter, any administration.

That is not to say that the people of Quebec have planned this strategy. It is simply that they have been cultivated and courted to the point that their influence is out of proportion.

The separatist movement probably encouraged conciliatory attitudes, and seemed to indicate their urgency. But conciliation in the matters of language and cultural freedom—which have always been theirs in any event—seems to have failed.

Now the government of Quebec has accepted the sovereign role offered by President Charles de Gaulle. Mr. Jean-Guy Cardinal, the provincial education minister, has been accorded by the French president the treatment and honor generally reserved for a head of state.

Both these gentlemen are well aware that the French gesture and its acceptance are equally offensive to the government of Canada and, one would think, to all Canadians.

The fact that President de Gaulle deliberately downgraded the Canadian ambassador, Mr. Paul Beaulieu, excluding him from all meetings between the Quebec and French representatives except, at the last possible moment, for an invitation to a luncheon in honor of the Quebec delegation, is nothing less than insulting. Mr. Beaulieu had the good manners to overlook the slight and to attend.

"It is clear as day," said the president, "that the exchange of personal contact between our two governments has the character of a striking and capital event. I am speaking, of course, of the establishment of direct relations between New France and France, between Quebec and Paris."

This is the sort of language calculated to encourage a rupture not only between Canada and France, but between Quebec and the rest of the nation.

The president went farther . . . "We have now decided to mutually help each other . . . in order that the ties drawn between Quebec and the mother country make us stronger to struggle in all modern activities."

Mother country, indeed. Canada surely has grown beyond such colonial anachronisms, and if Mr. Cardinal accepts such definitions without protest he is joining the French president in affronting all Canadians.

He and the government at Quebec would be wise to decide just what is their motherland, France or Canada.

The nation as a whole cannot remain indifferent to these emotional excursions. A patience overstrained can lead to dangerous reactions elsewhere in Canada as in Quebec.

## Pure Air Policy

IT HAS LONG BEEN maintained by the Colonist that regional control of air pollution is to be preferred to municipal control, and provincial to regional, for two reasons. One is that air pollution doesn't recognize boundaries. Smoke from Victoria may flow into Saanich, and Saanich cannot do a thing to regulate it. Similarly, fabled air may move into a regional district from outside its bounds. The second reason is that different sets of standards, or different degrees of enforcement in separate jurisdictions may represent a form of competition for industry.

It is gratifying therefore that at length the whole province of British Columbia has a code of health department standards, announced on Wednesday by Health Minister Ralph Loffmark. The policy statement establishes in detail the maximum limits of dustfall, suspended particulate matter and sulphur dioxide in the air, and also governs the emission of smoke and toxic or radioactive materials.

Opposition Leader Robert Strachan has expressed doubt that Mr. Loffmark has done more than present a "facade of action" in the field of pollution control. Mr. Strachan can hardly deny, however, that the health minister has now provided a good foundation for air pollution control throughout British Columbia. How actively and well it is built upon through the medical health officers of the province remains to be seen. But the foundation is no less welcome for that.



"And why, may I ask, would Mr. Trudeau want files on YOUR female company . . . ?"

## Long-Range Research

### A Canadian 'Think Tank' Concept

By JOHN D. HARRISON

BERNARD Ostry is the archetypal intellectual of the Trudeau era. He is well-educated (University of Montreal, McGill and London School of Economics), handsome, rich, with a first-class mind which has been put to work by many influential government, academic and quasi-public agencies.

He holds two Ottawa posts of prestige. He is a key member of the Trudeau task force investigating government information services and a brain trust in the Canadian Radio-Television Commission.

Ostry is one of the very few Trudeau confidants, outside the prime minister's personal staff, with easy access to him. Imagine his surprise, then, to find his pet scheme incorporated in last September's Throne Speech. This was Ostry's first indication anyone in high office had bought his idea.

His scheme? "An institute where long-range research and thinking can be carried out into governmental matters of all kinds," said the Throne Speech. In a Calgary talk last October, Mr. Trudeau called it, "A long-term planning institute."

A few weeks ago Ostry found out who had resurrected his study centre, an idea first offered to the Diefenbaker government in 1961. Trudeau himself.

What is Ostry's "institute"? "It would be a serious place," he says, "a room for free and independent ideas—building about our national and international goals. It calls for a flow of people—from government, the universities and business—working in complete freedom and honesty to create intellectual products."

Tim Porteous, idea man and speech-writer for Prime Minister Trudeau, sees a structure for it and suggests it be called a "Canadian Domestic Institute"—free to study and solve national problems.

Perhaps it would be a low-key version of the U.S. "think tank."

Ostry also shuns the style and formality of American "think tanks." They have become large and institutionalized operations like the Rand Corporation in Santa Monica or the Brookings Institution in Washington which survive on long-term contracts from U.S. military and civilian agencies. Rand, for example, is the research arm of the U.S. Air Force.

Its kinds of studies, heavy on ideology, send shivers up the spines of Canadian social scientists.

But in popular, almost college student jargon, which Ostry doesn't hesitate to use, he wants his flow of people to read, study and write only to "tell it as it is."

The climate of Canadian society—non-extremist, non-racist—is conducive to this kind of free-wheeling brainstorming.

Ostry and Ottawa are aware long-range research and study facilities already exist in Canada, some of them private and exclusive, with little desire to involve wide public support—like the Canadian Institute of International Affairs, or like the Economic Council of Canada.

manages a study centre of sorts—producing short and long range analyses of Canadian economic and social problems. But Smith and the council are limited by statute to function only as an advisory body to the federal government.

Despite the council's growing influence in Canada, Ottawa does not have to accept or even heed its studies and recommendations.

Ostry's "flow of people" would not be restricted by statute or time but would offer their findings to the government in any case, or industry, or even the public at large, all of whom could accept or reject or even ignore what was written.

What kind of futuristic public project would get a concentrated gaze? Take the \$150 million domestic communica-

tions satellite to be launched around 1971. It is Canada's one major science program at present.

What implications does such a satellite offer for use by educational agencies, the mass media, interpreting Canadian society abroad? Does it have behavioral value to explain how and why Canadians react the way they do to domestic and world events?

What role should private and public enterprises play in its building and operation? Eric Klerans, minister of communications-elect, already sees great pressure from would-be private suppliers of communications equipment, politicians and the cultural community to define "the mission" of a Canadian space communications program.

## African Population Growth

By STANLEY UYS from Capetown

WHITE South Africans have just been told by the end of the century there will be only seven million of them in the country compared with 28 million Africans.

This politically-explosive information will upset the Vorster government's plans for apartheid (separate racial development), which have been based on a much lower estimate of the African population growth.

The original estimate was made by the former prime minister, the late Dr. Hendrik Verwoerd, in 1961. He calculated that there would be 19 million Africans by the year 2000. When Dr. Verwoerd made his estimate in 1956, the African population was nine million. Today it is already 12,750,000. The 19 million figure will be reached long before the end of the century.

Dr. Verwoerd's near 50 per cent miscalculation could have devastating consequences for the whole concept of creating independent "homelands" for the Africans as compensation for denying them a stake in the white-controlled section of South Africa.

Even in 1956 the government was being warned that the "homelands," which cover only 13.7 per cent of the surface area of South Africa, could not possibly accommodate 19 million Africans and that there would always be more Africans than whites in the "white" area.

Now if there are going to be 28 million Africans the realization of the "homelands" concept becomes doubly remote. This means that the Nationalist government will come under increasing pressure to integrate Africans living outside the "homelands" in the white political structure—which so far it has steadfastly refused to do.

This refusal of course is based on the cardinal apartheid principle that once the Africans are given a share, however small, in the central political structure, the white man will be doomed, because numbers eventually will be decisive.

If the "homelands" will not be able to accommodate all, or even a majority, of the 28 million Africans, and if the

Africans living and working outside the "homelands" are refused participation in the central political structure, a whole category of millions of stateless, disembodied Africans will come into existence for whom there will be no place in the political scheme of things.

As far as these Africans are concerned, apartheid manifestly then will have no moral base.

There is a further complication: not only will there be 28 million Africans as against seven million whites by the year 2000; there will also be 5,800,000 colored (of mixed racial descent) and 1,100,000 Asians (mostly Indians). The total non-white population will be 34,900,000—all excluded from the whites by apartheid laws.

Obviously, in the Nationalist government's "battle of the numbers," time is of the essence. The longer it takes to develop the "homelands," the further realization of the apartheid goal will recede. And Nationalist intellectuals are complaining already that, after 21 years of apartheid rule, development is negligible.

If, by the end of the century, there are eight million to 10 million Africans in the "homelands," as against 18 million to 20 million in the "white areas," an apartheid government could consider itself lucky. There will then be nearly three times as many Africans in the "white areas" of South Africa as whites, yet they will be refused political rights on the grounds that—to use an apartheid term—they will be "temporary sojourners."

Commenting on the "battle of the figures," a pro-government sociologist and demographer, Professor N. J. Rhooie, of Pretoria, says: "It seems to me that, as far as the shop window of our race policy, the Transkei (the first of the 'homelands') is concerned, it is developing into a farming community, and will not be able to absorb even the natural increase in its own population."

## Ambassador by 1970?

### Canada and Peking

By HEWARD GRAFFTEY

FOR the most part, Canadian foreign policy, seems suspended in a state of philosophic limbo as we enter yet another period of the "review."

Well up on the list of items involved in this policy think-in, is, not surprisingly, the question of Canadian diplomatic recognition for Mainland China.

We have long flirted with the idea, and have toyed with various policies to carry it out. Yet our tradition of failure in making concrete moves towards recognizing Communist China—despite our vast wheat sales to her—has created well-founded skepticism.

That is why, when Mr. Trudeau and Mr. Wilson discussed pros and cons of recognition in London before the Commonwealth meeting, many Canadians felt a sense of déjà vu.

Indeed, the historical background raises doubts, even now, about the success of a venture on our part to accord diplomatic recognition.

Nineteen years ago this month, at a conference of Commonwealth external affairs ministers in Colombo, Lester Pearson endorsed Nehru's plea for recognition of the new regime in Peking under Mao Tse-tung. Prime Minister St. Laurent, in turn, backed the stand of his external affairs minister.

But at the same time, the United States was initiating policy relating to Communist China which would be hard, if not impossible, to reverse even in part for years to come.

The result, as everyone knows, is that it is in Washington and not at Commonwealth conferences where we can take a true measure of our freedom of movement. Our manoeuvrability there—especially in relations with Communist China—has been practically nil.

From St. Laurent to Trudeau, a succession of Canadian prime ministers and external affairs ministers agreed with the idea of diplomatic recognition of Red China. Yet they all met with the same rebuff from largely the same source.

At a press conference in New Delhi in 1954, for example, during his world tour, Mr. St. Laurent supported the principle of seating Communist China at the United Nations. President Eisenhower lost no time firing off a "please explain" note through the state department.

Mr. Diefenbaker shared St. Laurent's views on the subject, and in June of 1958 when the president visited Ottawa, Diefenbaker attempted to bring up the subject in his East Block offices. Eisenhower's temper flashed, and it seemed the

subject was dropped—the only incident that in any way marred an otherwise cordial and happy meeting between the two North American leaders.

Pearson's encounters with Lyndon Johnson do not appear to have been any more fruitful.

The exercise of diplomacy in this area—on both the question of diplomatic recognition and the matter of seating Communist China at the United Nations—has been difficult for Canadians.

To draw on personal experience, I recall that during the 13th session of the UN General Assembly, Canada's external affairs minister, Sydney Smith, continually polled the Canadian delegation on the advisability of voting to seat Red China. As a delegate that year, and as one who favored the proposition that Red China be brought into the political and diplomatic mainstream, I accompanied Smith to a meeting with American UN Ambassador Henry Cabot Lodge—only to be disappointed. Things had not changed in the slightest.

Eight years later, I was again at the United Nations with the Canadian delegation, as was the then relatively unknown Pierre Trudeau.

It seemed ridiculous to me that Canada had been fence sitting for so long, and I issued a press release to the effect that the time had come for Canada to vote in favor of seating Red China in this "world" body.

My release pointed out that, at the time, disavowment talks were at a most productive stage, but that since China was about to explode a nuclear device it was more crucial than ever to bring that country, with its vast population, into this and many other international agreements.

I also felt that Canada's stand and vote regarding Red China at the UN had damaged our prestige. From talks with U.S. state department officials both in New York and Washington, I detected some softening in the U.S. line, and a desire on the part of these officials to see Canada take its own line relating to recognition of China, thus possibly affecting future U.S. options.

After releasing my statement to the press, I showed it to Mr. Trudeau, who was at the time Prime Minister Pearson's parliamentary secretary. He wholeheartedly and enthusiastically seconded my view.

Today Mr. Trudeau could not be in a better position to implement his views. He is prime minister, and he has put everyone in a frame of mind, as a result of the "review," to expect some major changes in Canadian foreign policy.

Moreover, with the Johnson administration at an end in the United States, we find ourselves in a transition period which, in itself, should temporarily allow Canada a higher degree of flexibility on the international scene.

It may just be that the house Canada bought in Peking for Chester Ronning some years ago, when once before we were on the verge of diplomatic recognition, will soon be put to use after all—housing Canada's first ambassador to Communist China.

## I Beg to Differ . . .

### Happy Enough to Weep

By FRANK LOWE

DON'T be silly, dear. Of course I am not sulking. Like every right-thinking Canadian husband I believe the wife should get away from the family and go south for a few weeks in the winter. It says so right here in the small print of the marriage contract. I'm . . . No, Dum Dum, I'm not trying to burn the marriage contract.

It merely happened to be in my hand when you caught me, I mean, when you came in while I was lighting a cigarette.

Actually, I'm delighted you have this opportunity to go away by yourself and get some sun and sea for a few weeks. Cross my heart and hope to turn green.

What's that? If I'm so happy why am I kicking your suitcase? How silly of me. Just a nervous habit, actually. A kind of tic that turns into a kick. Ha, ha.

All right, all right. You don't have to scream. See, I've stopped kicking your suitcase.

Yes, I know how long you'll be gone and of course I'll get along all right. And it was most thoughtful of you to leave this list of things I should do while you're away so I won't get lonely and bored.

Such fun I'll have. Let's see, item No. 1. Shovel the snow off the roof of the garage before the thing collapses.

I'll get after that item right away. As soon as your plane leaves I'll pray for rain.

Don't worry about the snow on the terrace don't fret your little head about the garbage—it will all be out there, each Tuesday and Friday morning, elegantly bundled so the bagman won't complain.

Look out town, here I come. Now, now, dear, don't grind your teeth. I think that is a great idea. Your mother and I will swing a little while you're suffering from sunburn.

What's item No. 3? Oh yes, don't forget that the garbage has to go out on Tuesdays and Fridays. As if I would forget.

Wrapping garbage is my favorite winter sport. So when you're dining on that Caribbean terrace don't fret your little head about the garbage—it will all be out there, each Tuesday and Friday morning, elegantly bundled so the bagman won't complain.

Item No. . . what's that you are saying? Listen, if you would stop screaming so hysterically perhaps I could understand what you are trying to say.

You wanted to know what happened to your airline tickets? Now, how in the world would I know where your airline tickets might be?

They were in your purse? Oh, you mean that old envelope that was cluttering up your purse—you mean your tickets were in that envelope?

Well, here it is. I thought it was some kind of junk and took it out so you wouldn't be embarrassed when you opened your purse.

Here, take the old envelope. And what was I doing going through your purse? I was merely tidying it up—you know how messy your purse gets.

Okay, Okay, I'll never touch your purse again. See if I care if you go gadding about with the messiest purse in the sunny south.

By the way, dear, I thought you might like to know that Kathy is going to be in town for a few days while you are away.

I thought I would take her out—you will feel better about things if you know that there's someone here looking after me.

What's that? If I take out Kathy you're going to tell Prime Minister Trudeau? Don't be silly—Kathy isn't his type. Oh, you didn't mean it that way, eh? You mean that if the prime minister is going to have the cops check up on newspapermen's dates you have a good suggestion as to where he should start?

You mean that if I take Kathy out for a simple candlelight dinner, with maybe a little wine and some dancing, you would—you wouldn't?

You would?

Yes, I guess maybe you would.

All right, dear. Bye bye and have a good time. I am so happy for you I could cry.



# Kremlin Goes Out on Limb

By EARL W. FOELL  
From United Nations

Moscow is engaged in a quiet but chancy struggle against West Germany here, in which it risks the displeasure of many Afro-Asian-Latin American countries.

The struggle pits Moscow's desire to freeze diplomatic gains by Bonn against the "third world" countries' desire for West German investment.

During the last session of the United Nations general assembly the developing nations of the third world argued hard for a "second UN development decade" in the 1970s. This was supposed to improve the sorry record of the first development decade (in the 60s).

During the first decade only a few small European countries managed to meet or approach the goal of investing 1 per cent of their gross national product in the poorer nations.

The big, wealthy states of the West and East are reducing rather than enlarging their foreign aid programs as the decade draws to an end.

So the developing lands ask for an expanded and active UN preparatory committee to start work quickly on plans for the second decade.

When Soviet and eastern European delegates balked at writing terms for that expansion, which would allow West Germany to be included, the Afro-Asian-Latin indicated privately that they wanted Bonn in. The terms were so written.

The preparatory committee was to be formed by expanding the 27-member regular economic committee of the UN Economic and Social Council by 27 additional

states. Of these, seven were to be from western Europe; three from eastern Europe.

Each regional group nominated its own candidates for appointment by the president of the UN general assembly. West Germany was among those designated by the West European group.

Moscow and the East European group balked again.

They said they would not send their three nominees if Bonn were seated.

Assembly president Emilio Arenales, after failing to achieve a compromise, said he would name 23 of the 27 additional members — leaving out Bonn and the three East Europeans for the moment.

He asserted this would make it possible for the

preparatory committee to meet promptly to begin its business, since he had named enough members to provide a quorum.

He promised he would go ahead and name the remaining four members on his own authority by Feb. 10 unless, meanwhile, an East-West compromise was worked out.

So far, though, showdown rather than compromise seems to be the approach. At a private western European group meeting Jan. 14 it was decided the six other members designated by that region would boycott any meeting of the preparatory committee at which Bonn was not seated.

The East European bloc remains adamant about their three-member boycott if Bonn is seated.

The key to this impasse may lie with the so-called "group of 77" — the trade grouping which brings together all main African, Asian, and Latin-American "have-not" nations. There is talk among some group members of convening a meeting at which a third-world stand on this Moscow-Bonn struggle would be decided.

The estimate of many veteran diplomats from the third world area is that a majority of the poorer states privately would side with Bonn, whose investment program has been extensive and effective. But whether this could be turned into a public majority challenging the Soviet Union is another question.

The prevailing belief among UN officials is that if the third world nations want to pressure the U.S.S.R. on this matter, they will have to provide some suitable face-saving device to go along with the pressure.

## Ruling Party Closes Ranks

# Chile Vote Will Set Pattern for Decade

By DAVID F. BELNAP  
From Santiago

In the manner of most families threatened from outside, Chile's ruling Christian Democrats have ended many months of internal squabbling and temporarily closed ranks against the foe.

There are two enemies in this case, the marxist left and the moderate-to-conservative centre and right. The battleground is an election in a few weeks' time to renew the chamber of deputies and choose 30 new senators.

The outcome of the voting will influence the course of this country's political history for the next decade.

The importance of the March 2 congressional elections is the measurement it will provide of the forces which will contend for power here in the presidential elections of September, 1970.

The degree of strength shown in March by each of the forces will fix its bargaining position in the jockeying for alignments which will take place between the two sets of elections.

Besides the left-of-centre Christian Democrats, the main forces in the parliamentary elections, reading from left to right, are the Socialist, Communist, Radical and National Parties. The big question mark is how much of their past strength the warring Christian Democratic presidential candidate can muster.

When Eduardo Frei became Latin America's first Christian Democratic president in 1964, he drew 55.6 per cent of the ballots cast.

Many were not votes of Christian Democrat Party members but of moderates, independents and conserva-



Frei

tives voting for Frei because the only alternative was a socialist senator seeking office for the marxist Popular Action Front (FRAP), a joint enterprise of the Communists and Socialists.

In the congressional balloting in March, 1965, the Christian Democratic share dropped to 42.2 per cent, still a respectable total and enough under proportional representation to give the president's party majority control in the chamber of deputies for the first time in 90 years.

Then in municipal elections of April, 1967, the Christian Democratic vote slidded to 35.6 per cent, a slide much steeper than anything anticipated by party technicians.

This surprise drop widened extreme leftist "rebel" wing and the moderates led by Frei, producing a period of internal bickering which didn't end until barely four months ago.

Since then there have been

minor disruptions, but the party clearly has found an internal concept of unity, at least for the March elections.

A secret poll commissioned by the Christian Democrats recently confirmed that the party's main support lies with the lower classes who have benefited most from the Frei government's social, economic and educational reforms.

The effort required to put across these reforms in the face of entrenched special interests and an opposition, obstructionist senate took so much of the government's energies that it did not do as much for Chile's important middle class, which today feels neglected, and squeezed by inflation.

This was reflected in the secret poll which showed the government has lost an alarmingly large part of its middle class support and all of its small upper class backing, including women in these classes who voted for Frei in overwhelming numbers in 1964 and were decisive in his victory over the FRAP.

Most of the disaffected middle class vote is expected to go to the rightist National Party in March. It may be enough to move the nationalists into position ahead of the Radicals as the nation's second political force after the Christian Democrats.

Frei's continuing massive personal popularity will help the Christian Democrats in March. Frei, however, cannot legally run again in 1970 when he will probably be succeeded as his party's standard bearer by tough, able Radomiro Tomle, who was Frei's ambassador to the United States until April last year.

## Awareness Better than Lofty Promises

# Nixon Sees Booby Traps

By CARL T. ROWAN, from Washington

It was easy enough, on first reaction, to be less than satisfied with the inaugural address of President Nixon. He did not, after all, spell out in any detail the proposals and programs that will become the hallmarks of his administration.

One listened and was mindful of the sharp contrast between the Nixon speech and the glowing promises that poured forth at other inaugurations.

But the reflection of a few days suggests that what Nixon said to the nation and the world was far more important than a catalogue of lofty promises.

It seems to me that the heart of what Nixon said is this: let no one think for a moment that I am unaware of the major doubts about me. I know precisely where the booby traps and pitfalls are, and I shall avoid them.

Here was a man fully aware of his old image as the brash and Communist, the victorious challenger of Alger Hiss. Only months ago that image still loomed clear enough for Poles and Czechs to refuse him a visa and the Kremlin to refuse to permit any official of consequence to talk to him.

I know from my recent trip through Eastern Europe that officials who had behaved so boorishly, or read the political future so wrongly, were asking anxiously whether Nixon

is the kind of man to hold a grudge.

Some were wondering whether the old Communist fighter would shift U.S. policy to a hard line and fan higher the flames of discontent that now burn so relentlessly and dangerously among the peoples of Eastern Europe.

Others wondered whether the campaign talk of maintaining nuclear superiority over the Soviet Union would mean a step-up in the arms race and new confrontations with Russia.

Still others noted the strange murmurings in Red China and the talks coming up in February between U.S. and Chinese diplomats in Warsaw. They feared Nixon might "adopt a policy of trying to lay China against Russia, which could be dangerous for everyone."

Nixon answered them all in his inaugural speech. The man who once conveted the title of "Communist fighter" said that "the greatest honor history can bestow is the title of peacemaker."

So here Nixon was seeking a peace that "is not victory,

over any other people." Here he was pledging "understanding for those who have opposed us."

The Nixon who spoke on Monday wanted the world to know first that he realized the powers he held for good or ill, and he was saying that while America would be as firm and strong as she had to be, no one ought fear any "anti-Communist" recklessness from him.

And then there was pitfall No. 2, a domestic production. If people the world over questioned his dedication to

peace, so did millions at home doubt his dedication to social justice. He had the election returns to remind him of that—returns showing some 90 per cent of black Americans voted for his opponent.

But here was the new president reminding a nation bitterly divided by race that "no man can be fully free while his neighbor is not. To go forward at all is to go forward together. This means black and white together, as one nation, not two."

And there was the allied problem of the alienated young of all races, distrustful "the establishment," believing that they have no voice in "the system."

Here was a new president, seeking to avoid a confrontation, saying that he would listen—if only they would speak softly enough for him to hear their words as well as their voices.

It would be easy enough to accuse Nixon of dispensing platitudes, knowing as we do that wanting peace, racial harmony, and generational tranquility is one thing; achieving them is something else. Admittedly, the president is yet to give any solid clues as to how he proposed to achieve them.

It is comforting, nevertheless, to be reminded that he is a sensitive and intelligent man who already is well aware where potential tragedy lies.

## Quotable Quotes

There is a great deal of international co-operation in Antarctica and this may be a pattern for co-operation on the moon.—Astronaut Frank Borman.

These conferences are like the English climate. There are bouts of fine weather, changing from foggy to stormy, with nobody having the foggiest idea as to how the day is going to turn out.—Tunku Abdul Rahman, prime minister of Malaysia, on the Commonwealth conference.

Every president lives not only with what is, but with what has been and what could be.—Lyndon Johnson.

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## Early Ceasefire

Allies in Accord  
On Paris Parley

PARIS (UPI)—U.S. and South Vietnamese negotiators reached full agreement Thursday on how to handle the Vietnam conference beginning Saturday with North Vietnam and the Viet Cong. High diplomatic sources

said the allies favor an early ceasefire.

President Nixon's new chief negotiator, Ambassador Henry Cabot Lodge, reported the accord after a 90-minute conference with Pham Dang Lam, the South Vietnamese delegation leader at the talks that will seek an end to the Vietnamese conflict.

**REDS BLAMED**  
Diplomatic quarters said that in their opening statements Saturday, Lodge and Lam would place the blame for the costly, bloody war squarely on Communists.

"There are no disagreements between us," Lodge said firmly as he emerged from the U.S. Embassy meeting with Lam. He said the two delegations had reviewed "all the topics which might come up."

To emphasize their newly found unity of view, Lodge disclosed he would head the welcoming party at Orly airfield this morning for South Vietnamese Vice-President Nguyen Cao Ky, who is returning to Saigon as supervisor of the Saigon delegation.

**TOP PARTIES**  
Lodge's presence at the airfield was in fact a breach of agreement between the allies not to send top-level parties to airfields for departing and arriving delegation heads.

Lodge, twice an ambassador to Saigon, apparently wanted to underscore both his close personal relations with Ky and their close co-operation on the eve of the crucial talks.

While leaving Saigon Thursday for Paris, Ky said at an airport press conference: "I agree that military matters should be discussed first and take priority."



Kennedy

## Mideast Plan

British  
Vary  
View

LONDON (AP)—Britain began discussing with the Soviet Union possible terms of a Middle East peace Thursday but insisted any settlement must rest on Arab-Israeli agreement.

A communication from Foreign Secretary Michael Stewart to the Kremlin thus aligned Britain with the United States in accepting Russia's peace plan as one basis for discussion. But like the Americans, the British made clear that alternative proposals also should be examined.

The move appeared to separate the British and Americans somewhat from France, which has endorsed Moscow's program for a phased Arab-Israeli settlement in virtually unqualified terms.

The French, who have formally urged early Big Four talks on the Middle East, announced they may send defensive weapons to Lebanon, Iraq, Saudi Arabia and Kuwait.

Last month President de Gaulle banned arms shipments to Israel after the reprisal raid on Beirut airport in December.

## Great Wall Breach Urged

SANTA BARBARA, Calif. (UPI)—Senator Edward Kennedy Thursday proposed a five-point American initiative to "break down the great wall of estrangement" between the U.S. and Communist China.

He said that both the communist Chinese regime in Peking and Chiang Kai Shek's nationalist government on Formosa should be members of the United Nations but suggested that China's permanent seat on the UN Security Council be eliminated.

## JAPAN - U.S. TALKS

Kennedy's proposal came on the eve of a conference between 10 members of Japan's ruling Liberal Democratic party and six U.S. senators at the center for the study of democratic institutions here.

Kennedy will not join the closed door discussion initiated by the Japanese until Saturday.

However, his proposal, submitted in writing, seemed certain to be debated when the talks open today.

Besides a "two-China" solution for the question of Communist China's admission to the U.N., Kennedy advocated:

- Expansion of the present meetings between U.S. and Red Chinese ambassadors in Warsaw, Poland, to allow contacts between American and communist Chinese diplomats in Paris, London and other foreign capitals.

- An agreement for exchange of leading figures in such as science, education and athletics, and for "the travel of any responsible citizens from either country."

- "Initiatives to determine whether a limited trading relationship in non-strategic goods could be established with (Communist) China."

• A concerted effort to get Peking to take part in arms control discussion.

Kennedy called the existence of the rival Chinese governments on Formosa and the mainland the most difficult obstacle to relaxation of Washington's tensions with Peking.

However, he warned that "the commitment we have to Taiwan" is unmistakably clear, that their presence and voice will be preserved in the United Nations.

Kennedy said the permanent seat on the Security Council could be eliminated, which he called "the most obvious solution."

**GIVEN TO INDIA**  
As an alternative, he suggested it be awarded to India, which he said is "one of the dominant underdeveloped countries of the southern half of the world."

St. Luke's Play  
Postponed

Bad weather has forced postponement of the St. Luke's Players' production of *For Pete's Sake*, originally set for Thursday, Friday and Saturday of this week, until Feb. 6, 7 and 8.

## Bridge

Winners of a weekly duplicate bridge game conducted by the Victoria unit of the American Contract Bridge League: 1. Ethel Cleworth and Al Edshere, 2. Mabel and Bill Park, 3. Marjorie Foster and Duncan Smith, 4. Phil Bagel and Paul Smith, 5. Marjorie Powell and Dora Duprau.



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## Perjury Trial Elected

### Courtroom Parade

Testimony at an impaired driving trial two months ago has resulted in a charge of perjury being laid against Edward Courtepatte of 11-A Eaton.

Courtepatte, convicted of impaired driving Nov. 15 and fined \$350, elected trial by a judge without jury when he appeared Thursday on the new charge. The preliminary hearing was set for March 12.

When the case was called in Central Magistrate's Court, Magistrate William Ostler quickly disqualified himself and it was transferred to Magistrate J. A. Byers in traffic court. Magistrate Ostler's decision was based on the fact he presided over the impaired driving trial.

**IMPAIRED TRIAL**  
It was at the impaired driving trial that Magistrate Ostler said, "I think the crown may well consider a charge of perjury."

The new charge, read in court, made specific mention of Courtepatte's testimony that his car had been struck by another car and that he had consumed liquor with a friend at home after the collision.

The accident occurred Sept. 29 at Burnside and the Trans-Canada Highway.

Larry Melbourne Ford, 20, of 612 Fairway, Colwood, was remanded to Jan. 30 when he appeared on a charge of breaking and entering Island Muffler Sales Ltd., 675 Burnside, and possession of stolen welding equipment.

The break-in early Monday was followed by a fire that caused several thousand dollars' damage to the premises. Bail for Ford was set at \$500.

An attractive redhead in a tight-fitting grey minidress appeared before Magistrate Ostler on a charge which is seldom laid in Victoria — that she had committed vagrancy by being a prostitute or nightwalker.

Dianne Patryshen reserved plea and was remanded at her own request to Jan. 30.

She told court she had arrived here Monday from Calgary. Bail was set at \$100.

"It is outrageous that a young man and woman should be treated this way on a public street," Magistrate Ostler said in fining Emerson Thomas \$50 for common assault.

Thomas, of 910 Fairfield, pleaded guilty and could offer no reason for an attack that involved the taunting of a young man and woman at Government and Yates. Evidence disclosed Thomas did not know the couple, but slapped the man several times and forced him to defend the woman.

## Marine Calendar

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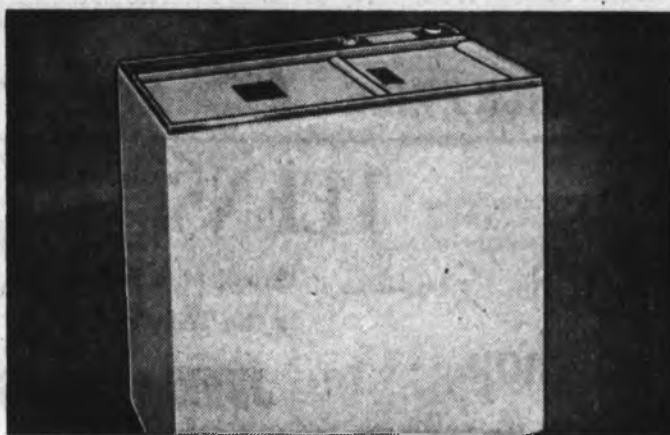


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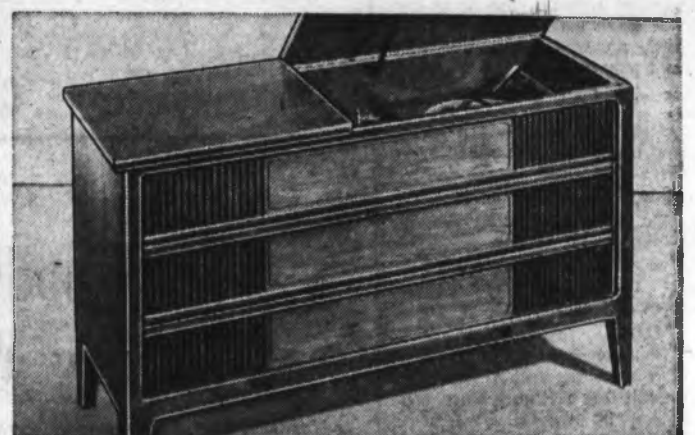


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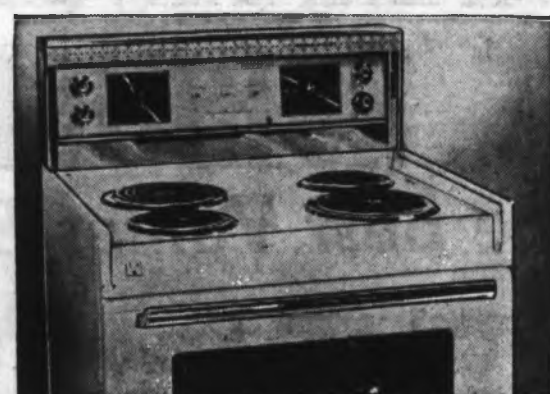


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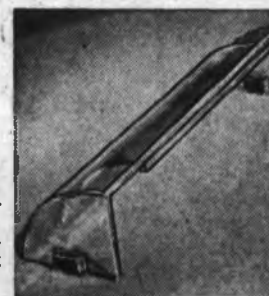


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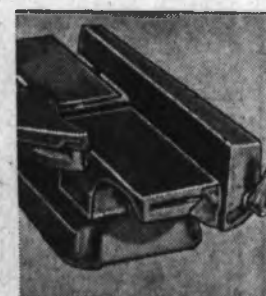
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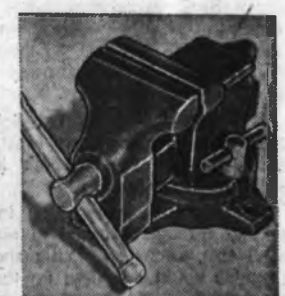
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**Canadian Hormone Ready for Trials**

# Salmon Help Crippled Humans

VANCOUVER (CP) — A Canadian-discovered hormone which may cure crippling bone diseases will undergo its first extensive trials in humans at the Mayo Clinic, the Canadian Society for Clinical Investigation was told Wednesday.

The hormone is calcitonin, the 1961 discovery of Dr. D. Harold Copp, professor and head of the physiology department at the University of British Columbia. It is not yet authorized for testing in humans in this country.

Dr. Copp reported a new breakthrough in producing large supplies of calcitonin in pure form. He's been getting it from glands of Pacific salmon at fish canneries here.

At the same time, Dr. Claude Arnaud of the endocrine research centre at the Mayo Clinic, Rochester, Minn., said the drug will be investigated extensively in humans suffering from osteoporosis and Paget's disease.

Osteoporosis appears in a variety of forms, especially in the aging process and in women after menopause. For unexplained reasons, the body does not make enough bone tissue to keep up with the normal wear and tear of living.

Paget's disease is a dramatic and uncontrolled increase in the formation and resorption of bone tissue by the body.

Dr. Arnaud said that virtually nothing has become available that really does an effective job on metabolic bone diseases from which millions of people suffer.

Because calcitonin seems to stop bone resorption and withdrawal of calcium from bone tissue, it may be of help in these metabolic bone diseases.

Dr. Copp said the body's normal supply of calcitonin originates in the ultimobranchial glands, tiny glands embedded in the thyroid glands in the neck.

In normal people, it controls the resorption of bone tissue by regulating the calcium in the bloodstream.

Dr. Copp said the calcitonin from salmon glands is 100 times as potent as the human product and 50 times as potent as from hogs.

Its production is "terribly cheap" from salmon canneries.

## Bowel Graft Sought

VANCOUVER (CP) — Promising groundwork has been laid for human intestine transplants by a group working under Dr. Peter Salmon at the University of Alberta's Surgical Medical Research Institute.

Dr. Salmon, reporting Thursday to the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons annual meeting, said he has already made application to university authorities to undertake a clinical trial with a human patient. He told a press conference that, if the experimental program lives up to expectations, human intestine transplants may be the solution to fatal bowel injury, bowel malfunction or circulatory problems.

Working with dogs, Dr. Salmon and his group have established several vital points in intestine transplants.

He said that, even if an intestine transplant failed to absorb fats, as long as salts and proteins could be taken up the transplant would be a worthwhile operation.

In connection with human transplants, Dr. Salmon said considerable experience with intestinal bypass operations showed body nutrition could be maintained with as little as 10-15 per cent of the small bowel.

## Sick Spurn Needed Medicines

WASHINGTON (UPI)—A doctor who asked to testify told a Senate subcommittee Thursday that its emphasis on the "occasional harmful effects" of prescription drugs has scared many sick people into refusing to take medicines they badly need.

"Many of our excellent drugs are becoming better known for their occasional harmful effects than for the enormous good they accomplish," Dr. Clinton McGill complained to the Senate subcommittee.

McGill, a private physician from Portland, Ore., requested a chance to testify. He gave a speech in December to a convention of the Pharmaceutical Manufacturers Association in which he called the hearings a "travesty on justice."

## Arson Suspected in University Fire

BERKELEY, Calif. (Reuters) — A fire that gutted the best-known building on the University of California campus Wednesday night was described as "almost surely an act of arson" by Chancellor Roger Heyns Thursday. The building, opened in 1918, houses a large auditorium, a stage, 62 classrooms, and some 50 university offices. "Destructive acts of this sort are almost certain to happen in an atmosphere of threats and incitement to close the campus," Heyns said in a statement.

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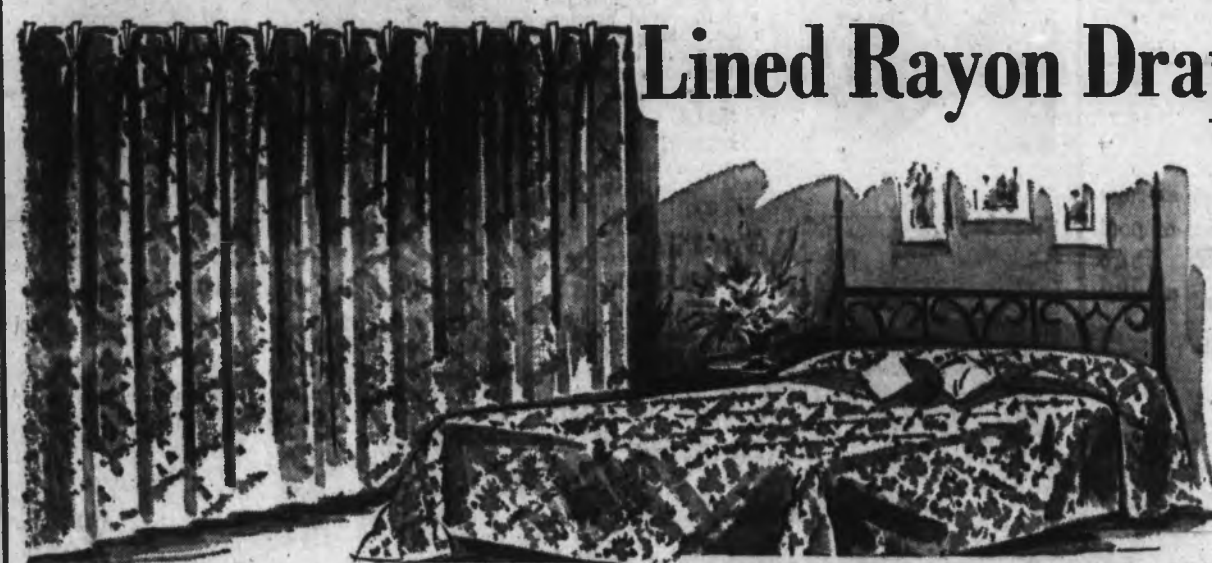
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Soviet cosmonauts acknowledge ovation just before shots ring out

## Red Leaders' Whereabouts Unclear When Shots Fired

FROM AP-Reuters

MOSCOW (CP) — A mentally deranged gunman opened fire near the Kremlin gates Wednesday as a motorcade that had included top Soviet leaders and all the surviving Soviet cosmonauts passed by, the foreign ministry said Thursday.

One chauffeur and a motorcycle escort driver were wounded and cosmonaut Georgy Beregovoy was cut on the neck by flying glass.

The gunman was grabbed by spectators and immediately arrested by the police. The foreign ministry refused to identify him or give his motive.

The whereabouts of top Soviet leaders at the time of the shooting remained unclear.

### BLACK LIMOUSINE

The Soviet news agency Tass said the assailant fired at a car carrying Beregovoy, 47, Valentina Nikolayeva-Tereshkova, 31, the world's only spacewoman, her husband Andrian Nikolayev, 39, and Alexei Leonov, 34, the first man to walk in space.

They were riding in a black limousine immediately behind the four new Russian space heroes—Vladimir Shatalov, Boris Volynov, Yevgeny Khrush-

nov and Alexei Yelliseyev—as they drove to the Kremlin for a rally celebrating their feat last week in linking two manned spacecraft and changing crews in orbit.

The shooting incident, extremely rare in this tightly-policed state, was kept secret for nearly 24 hours, despite the presence of more than 1,000 spectators at this climactic point in the parade.

News of the incident came to

light from unofficial Soviet sources in conversations with some Western reporters. The foreign ministry then confirmed reports of the shooting, adding that the gunman was a "schizophrenic."

But the foreign ministry refused to comment on conflicting reports on the location of Leonid Brezhnev, Communist party chief, and President Nikolai Podgorny at the time of the shooting.

First reports said they were in a limousine not far behind the five leading cars carrying the cosmonauts. But later reports suggested their car pulled out of the procession shortly before the shooting and entered the Kremlin by another entrance.

Premier Alexei Kosygin did not attend the rally. He was reported on vacation.

A group of Western correspondents waiting within 100 yards of where the shooting was reported to have occurred said they heard nothing at the time.

### TV VIEWERS UNAWARE

When they drove past the alleged scene of the shooting five minutes later they again saw nothing unusual and bystanders were smiling and waving.

Millions of viewers in the Soviet Union and Eastern Europe who were watching the procession live on television also were unaware of the incident.

During the ceremony on the stage of the Palace of Congresses Brezhnev and other leaders looked grim according to some witnesses, and Brezhnev several times exchanged written notes with Yuri Andropov, chief of the state security committee.

## Principal Supports Students' Walkout

SMOKY LAKE, Alta. (CP)—With the blessing of their principal, 100 students walked out of Smoky Lake school Thursday in protest against classroom conditions.

Principal Harry Holowaychuk said the Grade 7 and 8 students are using three condemned buildings that lack indoor plumbing, storm windows and adequate heating facilities.

Throughout the current 17-day spell since the temperature last rose above zero, students have had to wear parkas and overshoes in class to keep warm, he said.

# French Army 'Volunteers' On Assignment in Canada

By DAVE MCINTOSH

OTTAWA (CP) — Some 200 French army conscripts are working in Canada, mainly as teachers, on behalf of the French foreign office, officials disclosed Thursday.

At least three of them are working for federal government agencies here.

A French embassy spokesman said some men with special skills conscripted into the French army can "volunteer" for overseas duty in France's "foreign co-operation" corps, similar to the Canadian University Service Overseas or U.S. peace corps.

### ON LOAN

The spokesman, Counsellor Francis Deloche de Noyelle, said in an interview that these men are on loan from the French Army to the Quai d'Orsay, the French foreign office.

As far as Canada is concerned, the French program has been in existence for about three years and comes under the Canada-France cultural agreement.

### ALL CHECKED

Of the same 200 conscripts in Canada, about 140 are in Quebec and the remainder scattered throughout the rest of Canada, mainly in Ontario and New Brunswick.

All are checked and documented by the French embassy

here. They are mostly between 25 and 27 years of age.

De Noyelle said nine out of 10 of the "volunteers" are teachers and that most of them are instructing in Quebec universities.

Informants said the conscripts are paid by their Canadian employers but that their maximum salaries are \$400 a month.

The conscription period in France is 16 months and the conscripts in Canada come here for that length of time. Some are allowed to stay longer if

they are teachers and the school year has not been completed.

De Noyelle said the French army has too many personnel because of conscription—the term has been gradually reduced to 16 months from 24—so that consequently some conscripts are available for "volunteer" work abroad.

The French foreign co-operation corps operates in other countries besides Canada, chiefly in Africa.

A Canadian government spokesman said some of the

French program is co-ordinated directly with Ottawa, some with Quebec and other provinces and some with Canadian universities and other institutions.

The Canadian spokesman said the program has worked out extremely well and that the French conscripts are making a considerable contribution in teaching and other fields.

He said it is hoped that the program will help lead to better understanding between Canada and France.

## 'Forces Could Build Undeveloped Lands'

OTTAWA (CP) — A plan for using Canadian armed forces to carry out public works projects in undeveloped countries was outlined Thursday by Dr. Omond Solandt, chairman of the Science Council of Canada.

Dr. Solandt, a former chairman of the defence research board, emphasized before the Commons committee on defence and external affairs that he was not advocating abolition of the armed forces.

Rather, he conceived his plan as a means to provide "tough,

difficult and challenging jobs" for the forces in time of peace while simultaneously assisting undeveloped lands.

It would, he suggested, develop a sense of mission among service personnel, and "focus the aspirations" not only of these personnel but also of young people throughout Canada.

Dr. Solandt, in addition to being head of the science council, is vice-chairman of the board of the Electric Reduction Co. of Canada. He also is chancellor of the University of Toronto.

Dr. Solandt said the job of building railways, airfields and communications systems abroad would help tide the armed forces over a period when their role is "particularly vague."

### 'APATHY' DISTURBING

He was disturbed by the present "apathy" of the ordinary Canadian citizen toward the forces. A challenging job abroad would widen the base of public support for the forces.

Dr. Solandt advocated "an experiment of limited size but big enough to capture the public imagination."

He doubted, however, that the point would ever be reached where all the armed forces would be converted to overseas construction work.

Former Defence Minister Douglas Harkness (PC—Cal-

gary Centre) said there would be "sensitivity" on the part of developing nations against allowing Canadian military personnel on their soil for construction purposes.

David MacDonald (PC—Egmont) suggested that service personnel might be used to build the proposed Prince Edward Island causeway.

## MP Raps 'Spies' In House

OTTAWA (CP) — A Creditable MP complained in the Commons Thursday that the government has resumed "spying" on the opposition by keeping tabs on which members are present.

Gilbert Ronsdale (Shefford) said officials earlier accused of keeping count had reappeared in the House. If there was going to be a count, he said, it should be kept on government members as well as the Opposition.

Prime Minister Trudeau said with a smile he sympathized with the member because he recently had had opportunity to complain because he was "too much spied upon."

## Gun-Jumping Denied On Language Steps

OTTAWA (CP) — Prime Minister Trudeau rejected Thursday a suggestion that the government had jumped the gun on implementing its official languages measures, not yet passed by Parliament.

But he told the Commons a letter had gone out to departments suggesting that, in keeping with the government's desire to plan ahead, they take certain preparatory steps toward the day when they will

have to implement the legislation.

He said the letter had been sent to the clerk of the Privy Council under the prime minister's authority.

Walter Dinsdale (PC—Brandon-Souris) who raised the question, suggested the secretary general for museums had acted under authority of the letter in transferring unilingual employees from federal museums here.

Mr. Trudeau said this was not done under government direction.

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## Oils

TORONTO (CP) — Mining

stocks surged to record levels and the dollar value of trading was also a record at \$40,353.33, almost \$2,000,000 greater than the previous all-time high last October.

Among mines, Falconbridge jumped 3½ to 116, McIntyre Properties 2 to 100 and Placer 1½ to 35½.

Sherrett Gordon, the market's most active stock, rose ¾ to 12 on sales of more than 282,000 shares. Trading was delayed at opening to match orders.

In industrials, Versaford was up ¾ to 26, A.G.F. Management 3 to 69 and Canadian Utilities 1½ to 43½.

B.C. Forest rose ¾ to 38½ and Noranda ¼ to 34½, while Domtar was up 1½ to 14½.

Vancouver

Stock	High	Low	Close	Chg
MINES				
Ace	11800	11700	11800	0
Aera	61200	178	167	170
Agnico	1400	136	135	145
Alamos	1600	160	160	160
Alcan	16800	285	285	285
Alvaco	1000	90	90	90
Artic	3800	195	194	195
Asarco	1600	160	160	160
Atlas	3800	280	280	280
Barrick	6500	280	280	280
Bethex	5000	485	470	450
Beth Corp.	500	817	17	17
Beth Mid	3200	120	110	110
Bornite	12500	32	31	32
Burns	6800	170	170	170
Buchanan	18500	815½	144	15
Canada	2800	95	95	95
Chadwick	2500	25	23	24
Chile	32700	700	640	690
Chino	1200	105	105	105
Citica	3300	535	530	530
Clon	1200	120	120	120
Canusa	8700	38	38	38
Chrysol	1000	63	63	63
Car Bell	1000	62	63	63
Car Gold	1000	120	124	130
Chrysol	1000	62	63	63
Casino	14000	71	66	68
Chrysol	1000	62	63	63
Chivaw	15000	57	57	57
Chrysol	1000	62	63	63
Coast Sil	26800	135	125	135
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### Banks Stage Rally

**MONTREAL (CP)** — The market gained steadily during active trading.

Among Industrials Velcro advanced 2% to 49%. Domtar went up 1% following a rumor, denied by both companies, that Kimberly-Clark had offered to buy Domtar. Radio Engineering and National Containers both rose 1 to 47% and 13% respectively.

Industrials added .35 to 133.47 an index and utilities declined .28 to 151.54. Banks recovered from their recent slump. Bank of Montreal added 1% to 26%, Royal Bank ¾ to 26 and Canadian

### Trading

Ventura	8700	215	207	210	-5
WC Res	9000	48	45	45	-2 1/2
BC Sup	6200	112	36	42	+3
W Mines	1400	390	355	385	+3
Goldcorp	6200	128	130	130	+1
Yukon	1000	29	29	29	+2

### INDUSTRIALS

Alcan	22175	107	37	2216	1/4
BCE	440	321	194	319	-1/4
BC For	850	373	37	37	+2 1/2
BC Sup	6200	112	36	42	+3
Cap Intl	2000	89 1/4	9	9	- 3/4
Cdn Pac	150	827	33	827	+1
Cor Cred	4680	345	340	340	10
Cor Cred p	1080	323 1/4	323	326	+ 1/4
Crown Z	300	29 1/4	24	29 1/4	+ 1/4
Cumming	225	161 1/4	161	164	+ 1/4
Dogs Side	550	475	475	475	+ 1/4
Domtar	1255	82 1/4	20 1/4	21	- 1/4
Enbridge	110	7	7	7	- 1/4
Domtar p	485	827	25	827	+ 1/4
Domtar far	350	173 1/4	144	144	+1 1/4
Gr Mtn	300	32 1/4	24	24	+1 1/4
Fields	500	82 1/4	22 1/4	24	+ 1/4
Geneco	150	82 1/4	24	24	+ 1/4
GL Nat L	13250	265	265	265	-
Gr Mtn	300	255	225	225	+20
Gr ML p	100	310	310	310	+30
Hydri	1250	8 1/4	8 1/4	8 1/4	+ 1/4
Keyco	300	870	345	370	+10
Keystone	625	480	480	480	-
McCormick	1675	333 1/4	33 1/4	33 1/4	+1
GM Reaf	800	117	12	12	+1
Mtn Ferg	100	82 1/4	25	25	+1 1/4
Orbit	100	82 1/4	24	24	+ 1/4
Okan H	100	285	285	285	-
Orbit Hlds	350	100	100	100	- 1/4
SWA	1405	81 1/4	16	16	-
P&A	50	81	31	31	-
Woodward	100	29	28	28	-
W Her	10600	87 1/4	7	7	-
Windsor	100	82 1/4	24	24	+15
Welpac	500	85 1/4	5	5	+ 1/4
Welpac p	100	82 1/4	24	24	+ 1/4
Whonnock	100	82 1/4	28	28	- 1/4

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All Rox	4600	225	205	210	- 1/4
Bala	42600	730	715	715	+5
CG Reaf	800	117	12	12	-10
Embassy	500	174	160	160	-
Fin Star	100	82 1/4	24	24	-
FT St John	500	100	100	100	-
Future	3800	44	44	44	+3
Gr Reaf	800	142	138	138	-
Merland	2000	135	145	145	+5
Midland	7000	87 1/4	81 1/4	81 1/4	-
Plains	70800	67	62	67	+3
Pr Fete	21000	11	11	11	-
RA Pte	61000	185	174	175	+3
RC Ven	59300	480	485	580	+10
S Share	1200	32	31	32	-
Sanlite	1000	81 1/4	14	14	-
Shore	100	82 1/4	24	24	-
TCL Oil	75500	570	550	550	+13
W Ex	45300	87	87	87	-

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VANCOUVER. Oil stocks had a sharp turn of the market boom with T.C. Oil up 1.35 to 5.90 and R.C. Ventures up 1.05 to 4.00, both in active trading. Highland Valley copper stocks were also in good demand with T.C. up .70 to 41.45, Butte up .30 at 6.90 and Trojan up at 1.35.  
Northshore, N.W. Ventures and Alcan were also up in the .25 range.  
P.C. Forest led the industrial progress in Vancouver with Macmillan added 1 at 33 1/2 and Cunningham added 1/4 at 4 1/4. Lower were EDP at 19 1/4, Doman com. at 21. Whonk was off 1/2 at 28.

**Cars Lead Rise**  
NEW YORK (AP) — Gathering confidence, the stock market posted one of its best advances of the new year. Trade was active.  
The market rose from the start and widened its gains until the close, when profit-taking compared the rise.  
A sharp gain in auto sales, largely to a surge by General Motors, and a boost in scheduled auto output was the chief of basic news which stirred Wall Street.  
Optimism regarding a chance for rapid progress in Vietnam peace talks and profits gained from some big corporations also bolstered sentiment.  
The New York stock Exchange index rose 27 cents to 111.

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# Stock Split Also Considered

## Neon Plans Major New Financing

By HARRY YOUNG  
Business Editor

New financing amounting in all to \$750,000 is announced for Neon Group of Companies, the Vancouver conglomerate headed by James A. Pattison, who also says a two-for-one split of the common stock is being considered.

An agreement has been made with a major U.S. financing company for \$15,000,000 (U.S. funds) in senior convertible subordinate notes at 5% per cent over 15 years.

Revolving credit on a \$20,000,000 loan has been negotiated with a Canadian finance company.

In addition Neon is in the process of marketing \$20,000,000 convertible debentures currently in registration in the U.S., and announced some time ago.

The funds will be used by Neon for operating and expansion purposes.

Earlier this week Neon said it had completed the deal which makes Associated Helicopters Ltd. a wholly-owned subsidiary and that mergers with Travel-air (makers of trailers and campers) and Provincial News (a magazine distributing firm) are pending.

**SKEENA THE GOAT**

A loss of \$9,558,202 in 1968 is reported by Columbia Cellulose Company Limited, more than double the 1967 loss of \$4,116,024.

The Vancouver company, which has pulp mills at Castlebar and two at Prince Rupert, said that \$9,100,000 of the loss was attributable to the Skeena mill in which Columbia holds 60 per cent interest.

In 1967 Skeena's expenses were deferred but they were fully included in the 1968 results.

G. W. Scrimshaw, president, said apart from Skeena there had been significant improvement in operations in 1968, and that in 1969 further gains were to be expected. From Skeena too, better results were expected.

Net sales in 1968 were \$88,155,783, compared with \$58,494,758 in 1967.



### Constitution Becomes Burning Issue

Zoltan Szoboszloi burns copy of British North America Act in centennial flame on Ottawa's Parliament Hill Thursday. Szoboszloi burned Act on his 54th birthday and followed demonstration with comment that he would like to go "anywhere outside Iron Curtain and Liney Curtain."

## Bankrupt Man's Stock 'Could Sell in B.C.'

RENO, Nev. (AP) — Charles Augustus Steen told U.S. Bankruptcy Court Thursday he nearly hanged himself accidentally on a clothes-line while running to tell his wife he had struck it rich with a uranium bonanza called Mi Vida in 1952.

"I've hit it. I've hit it. It's a million dollar lick," Steen testified he told his wife, Minnie Lee, during a hearing on a new plan to pay some \$60,000 in debts and determine his worth.

Steen was an oil geologist living on beans, tea and potatoes in a tar-paper shack with his wife and four sons about 50 miles south of Moab, Utah, when he located the uranium deposit.

He said yielded about \$70,000,000. Steen's lawyers have also presented witnesses during hearings started Monday to bolster his claims his vast mining, oil, gas and land assets are worth \$19,000,000 instead of the \$12,000,000 he had earlier claimed.

A Canadian investment broker proposed Wednesday forming corporation with Steen's assets and selling stock on the Vancouver exchange to enable him to pay some 130 creditors and save his assets.

Robert Reid, of Vancouver, told bankruptcy referee Russell Taylor that sale of stock in the corporation could produce \$1,500,000 for Steen in six weeks and another \$2,000,000 through borrowing on stock in six months.

## U.S.-Bound Canadians Show Hefty Increase

WASHINGTON (CP) — U.S. Immigration visas granted to Canadians for the period July 1 to Nov. 10, 1968, are down 50 per cent compared with a year earlier, say state department statistics.

As of July 1, Canada and all other Western Hemisphere countries came under an annual ceiling of 120,000 men, women and children on a first-come, first-served basis.

Once the total of 120,000 is reached for the year, further immigrants are barred.

State department officials say it is too soon to interpret the figures or speculate on the emergence of any firm patterns.

However, for the five-month period, from July 1, immigrants for all Western Hemisphere countries totaled 56,000, leaving room for another 64,000.

Visas granted to persons born in Canada totaled 6,705 compared with 12,683 a year earlier and compared with 29,536 for the full year ended last June.

That full-year figure is roughly average for the last 10 years.

Arrivals from Mexico and Jamaica also are down, although those from Latin American nations—including Haiti and Cuban refugees—are up.

Since December, 1965, all immigrants to the U.S. have been admitted only if it is deemed that no American worker will be displaced.

Canada's supply of immigrants has been reduced somewhat in recent months while the movement of Americans to Canada has been growing.

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# Ruel May Be Only 30 But Ulcer Could Come

Montreal Canadiens did nothing Thursday night to ease the situation for coach Claude Ruel, who says that "at 30, I'm too young for an ulcer."

Playing before 15,821 home-town fans, most of them impatient because Boston Bruins are leading the National Hockey League's East Division, Canadiens managed to lose a 5-3 decision to Oakland Seals to

drop five points behind the division leaders. Bruins, who have a game in hand, picked up a point by playing to a 2-2 tie with the Red Wings in Detroit. And Toronto Maple Leafs, who have two games in hand, moved within five points of Canadiens by defeating St. Louis Blues, 3-2, in St. Louis.

Canadiens were an uninspired team in a dull game. They took a 2-0 lead before the game was 10 minutes old, started the third

period trailing by 2-3, tied it up and then were beaten by late goals by Bob Dillabough and Gerry Ehman.

Henri Richard, who set up the first-period scoring shots by Jacques Lemaire and Jacques Lapierre, scored the 3-3 goal and then was responsible for Dillabough breaking the tie.

Dillabough intercepted a pass made by Richard near the Oakland blue line and quickly took the clear path to the Montreal goal. He sidestepped the lunge made by Rogatien Vachon and dumped the puck into the open net.

Canadiens also looked bad on Ehman's insurance goal. Vachon was taken out of the Montreal goal with 46 seconds left, returned for a faceoff and was on his way back to the players' bench when Canadiens lost control of the puck in the centre zone.

Ted Hampson missed the first shot but Ehman picked up

the rebound off the backboards to settle matters with 31 seconds left.

In Detroit, the battle was between Frank Mahovlich and Ken Hodge, currently two of the hottest scorers in the league.

Mahovlich opened the scoring in the first period with his 28th goal and closed it out in the third period with his 29th. In between Hodge potted his 22nd and 23rd goals, both in the second period, to extend the Bruins' unbeaten streak to 12 games.

Providing a large amount of help in a game which the Wings dominated was Ed Johnston, who played brilliantly in blocking 38 Detroit shots.

**TWO FOR RON**

Two goals by Ron Ellis were the difference as the Leafs struggled successfully to overcome the persistent checking of the Blues and the fine goaling of Jacques Plante, who stopped 36 shots.

Blues had just fought back to tie on goals by Craig Cameron and Frank St. Marseille in the second period when Ellis accepted a pass from Dave Keon and blasted the puck past Plante from 20 feet.

**STARS WIN!**

In the other games of a full schedule, New York Rangers scored a 3-1 win over Los Angeles Kings in New York. Minnesota North Stars snapped a winless streak at 14 games by scoring a 3-1 win over the Penguins in Pittsburgh and Philadelphia Flyers and the Black Hawks played a 2-2 tie in Chicago.

Rod Gilbert scored twice on passes from Jean Ratelle, who opened the scoring, to bring a victory for general manager Emile Francis, who was coaching in place of the ailing Bernie Geoffrion.

## Major Leaguers Set Strike Vote

**NEW YORK (AP)** — Major league baseball players will hold a special meeting here Feb. 3 to decide whether to carry out a threatened strike for higher pension benefits.

The players voted 461 to 6 last week to reject the club owners' offer to increase contributions to the pension fund by \$1,000,000 for a total of \$5,100,000.

Marvin Miller, executive director of the Major League Baseball Players' Association, announced Wednesday the situation had reached an impasse and that several players from each club will attend the Feb. 3 meeting to determine a course of action.

Spring training is scheduled to begin next month and indications are that unsigned players will not report unless a pension agreement is reached.

## IT BEATS ME

By Jim Tang

As inevitable these days as fuel-oil worries is discussion about how the Russian national team would acquire itself if it gained its desired chance to play against National Hockey League clubs. Most Canadians feel that the Russians would have much chance at this stage of their hockey development, others are a bit worried and some, many of them of the type that feel the view acts them apart as an expert, profess to believe that the Russians now have the best hockey club in the world.

It is all academic, but what evidence there is certainly indicates that the Russians are not yet ready to handle our top professionals.

Those who maintain otherwise have an opinion but haven't much to back it. They will try to make a case of the fact that the Canadian national team has scored victories over NHL clubs in pre-season play. But it isn't much of a case. The St. Louis Cardinals lost a half dozen or so games in a tour of Japan but no one is yet saying that the Japanese are ready to compete on even terms in major league baseball. And Central American and Western league clubs have also beaten NHL clubs in exhibition play without anyone arguing that it proved they were the equal of NHL clubs.

Nor is the ease with which the Russians are handling the current Canadian national team anything more than a continuing proof that we are unable to see anything close to a club which would be representative of our hockey abilities for what is known as amateur competition. The reason, of course, is hockey in Canada offers a career and it is not feasible, or even desirous, to make government employees of our best players and send them junketing around the world for the glory of Canadian hockey. The Russians are perhaps trying to prove something other than that they have good hockey.

Because almost everyone of our better players is a professional, our national team is little better than a promising junior club, but I think it would be good enough to beat the Russians if they had to form a national team under the same circumstances as Canada.

It is said the Russians have 12 major league clubs split into two divisions according to ability. That's somewhat equivalent to the present NHL set-up, and I can't help but wonder what calibre of a team the Russians would be able to send to world tournaments if they weren't able to take any player from their top 12 clubs. The Canadian nationals are about on a par with the second-best Russian club.

There hasn't been much left for the Canadian national team after the four professional leagues drain off the talent. Anyone who feels that the nationals have had players not far from NHL calibre need only remember what happened when a half dozen of the top stars of a national club which was extremely close to matching the Russians turned professional before the start of the current season.

Only one, Danny O'Shea, made it as an NHL player. At last reports Barry McKenzie and Gary Dineen were playing in the Central league, Ken Broderick was in the Western league and Marshall Johnston and Brian Glennie were in the American league. Although it is likely that one or two more will make it in time, there have been no reports that any of them have been outstanding for their minor league clubs. And it's likely that the current club hasn't more than one player who could make it with any of the 12 NHL clubs this season, or even next season. There is, it would seem, more of a gap between the Canadian national team and the NHL than there is between the Canadian national team and the best Russian team.

But while the Russians are not really beating much, it is true they are beating it so handily that one has to wonder just how good they might be. On the other hand there was considerable evidence Wednesday night that the Russians could not come too close to the best in the NHL.

They still make a lot of mistakes inside their own zone, they are not so smoothly impressive when they are being forced something which they could expect continuously from a team of top pros — and while they are willing to exchange physically and clever enough with interference and screening, they don't know how to hit the way they would get hit by the NHL pros. If Victor Zinger is their best, they haven't got NHL goalkeeping and they can't match the kind of shooting they would face.

The time will come when they will be able to beat our best, but it won't be before they have had the chance to play our best for several seasons. The Russians dominate the world of "amateur" hockey and have become about as good as they can get without playing someone better than they are.

That's something they recognize, and that's why they are pressing so hard to force a chance to play NHL clubs. They are prepared and, I believe, expect to lose at the start.

Every Canadian hockey fan would like to see a Russian-NHL series because most believe it would restore our hockey prestige. But this isn't likely to influence NHL owners. To them hockey is a business and not an emotion. They are playing a 76-game schedule, which together with pre-season and playoff games means that better clubs will play as many as 100 games spread over eight months.

There isn't much time left for trying something the NHL doesn't feel is necessary to its organization. Business is good in 10 of 12 centres and most fans are convinced they are seeing the best hockey in the world. So are NHL owners but there is always the possibility of defeat, and that means to them that they have more to lose than to gain by playing the Russians. Until they can be convinced it's bad business practice not to play they'll make the challenge in the wings wait.

EAST DIVISION					
Team	W	L	T	P	Pts
Boston	10	1	1	0	21
Montreal	4	6	1	1	10
Toronto	4	6	1	1	10
Chicago	4	6	1	1	10
New York	4	6	1	1	10
St. Louis	4	6	1	1	10

WEST DIVISION					
Team	W	L	T	P	Pts
St. Louis	4	6	1	1	10
Los Angeles	4	6	1	1	10
Philadelphia	4	6	1	1	10
Pittsburgh	4	6	1	1	10
Minnesota	4	6	1	1	10

Next games: Saturday—Philadelphia at Montreal; Toronto at Pittsburgh; Chicago at New York; St. Louis at Boston; Oakland at Detroit; Los Angeles at Minnesota.

**BOSTON 2, DETROIT 3**

1. Detroit, Mahovlich (30) (Howe, Det. 1:10).

Penalties — Lihke (D) 1:32; Harris (D) 8:12; Cashman (D) (major); Lester (D) (major, misconduct) and Smith (B) 15:41.

**SECOND PERIOD**

2. Boston, Hodge (22) (Orr, Cashman) 5:37.

3. Boston, Hodge (23) (Lemay) 8:23.

Penalties — Orr (B) 4:54; Green (B) 12:25; Orr (B) 13:46.

**THIRD PERIOD**

4. Detroit, Mahovlich (30) (Howe, Po. 1:45).

Penalties — none.

Scores: Boston (3) — 10 11 9 — 30; Detroit (3) — 8 5 5 — 18.

Attendance 14,800.

**MINNESOTA 2, PITTSBURGH 1**

1. Minnesota, Laros (14) (Grant, O'Shea) 1:15.

Penalties — Lihke (D) 1:32; Harris (D) 8:12; Cashman (D) (major); Lester (D) (major, misconduct) and Smith (B) 15:41.

**SECOND PERIOD**

2. Minnesota, Laros (15) (Grant, O'Shea) 5:37.

Penalties — none.

Scores: Minnesota (2) — 10 11 9 — 30; Pittsburgh (1) — 8 5 5 — 18.

Attendance 14,800.

**PHILADELPHIA 2, CHICAGO 3**

1. Chicago, Young (1) (Malk, R. Hull) 1:10.

Penalties — Standiewicz (P) 5:36; Van Impe (P) 12:12; McCord (P) 14:42.

**SECOND PERIOD**

2. Philadelphia, Gendron (4) (Laurie, Swanson) 5:37.

3. Chicago, Mohs (13) (Mikita, Wharrior) 8:12.

Penalties — Marotte (C) (major) 5:23; R. Hull (C) 12:12; McCord (P) 14:42.

**THIRD PERIOD**

4. Philadelphia, Gendron (5) (Laurie, Swanson) 5:37.

Penalties — none.

Scores: Philadelphia (2) — 10 11 9 — 30; Chicago (3) — 8 5 5 — 18.

Attendance 14,800.

**LOS ANGELES 1, NEW YORK 2**

1. New York, Ratelle (18) (Hadfield, Ratelle) 14:26.

Penalty — Selling (NY) 11:28.

**SECOND PERIOD**

2. Los Angeles, Joyal (16) (Plett, Lemay) 11:28.

3. New York, Gilbert (14) (Hadfield, Ratelle) 8:04.

Penalties — Nelson (NY) 21:48; Aronoff (LA) 12:15; MacDonald (LA) 17:34.

**THIRD PERIOD**

4. Los Angeles, Joyal (17) 1:34; Rolfs (LA) 11:21; Lamietz (LA) 15:05.

Scores: Los Angeles (1) — 10 11 9 — 30; New York (2) — 8 5 5 — 18.

Attendance 14,800.

**OAKLAND 2, MONTREAL 3**

1. Montreal, Lemaire (16) (Richard, Harris) 7:37.

2. Montreal, Lapierre (4) (Cormoyer, Plett) 18:15.

3. Oakland, Hicks (13) (Laughlin, Perry) 18:15.

Penalties — Roberts (O) 10:36; Harris (M) 18:55.

**SECOND PERIOD**

4. Oakland, Vachon (11) (Perry, Marshall) 2:18.

5. Oakland, N. Ferguson (13) (Chman, Vachon) 13:08.

Penalties — Vachon (O) 4:12; J. Ferguson (M) 12:56; Hicks (O) 13:38; Watson (O) 15:38; J. Ferguson (M) (minor) 17:44.

**THIRD PERIOD**

6. Montreal, Richard (10) (Cormoyer, Lapierre) 11:12.

7. Oakland, Dillabough (14) 14:48.

8. Oakland, Ehman (11) (Hampson, Marshall) 15:28.

Penalties — Rousseau (M) and N. Ferguson (O) 11:41; Rousseau (M) (minor, major) and N. Ferguson (O) (minor, major) 14:08.

Scores: Oakland (2) — 10 11 9 — 30; Montreal (3) — 8 5 5 — 18.

Attendance 14,800.

**TORONTO 2, ST. LOUIS 3**

1. Toronto, Horton (7) (Oliver) 18:08.

Penalty — Horton (T) 8:32.

**SECOND PERIOD**

2. Toronto, Ellis (11) (Dorsey, Oliver) 1:14.

3. St. Louis, Camerero (10) (McCravy, Schock) 6:01.

4. St. Louis, St. Marseille (9) (Piscard, Sabourin) 17:13.

5. Toronto, Ellis (12) (Keen) 19:48.

Penalties — none.

**THIRD PERIOD**

6. St. Louis, Harvey (SL) 4:21; Polyz (T) 12:44; St. Louis, bench minor, 14:28.

Scores: St. Louis (3) — 10 11 9 — 30; Toronto (2) — 8 5 5 — 18.

Attendance 14,800.

## Meet Co-Leaders

## Chinooks Caught

North Shore in the other best-of-three series. The finals will be a best-of-five game affair.

Next game: Saturday — VICTORIA vs. IGA Grocers at Vancouver.

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North Shore — 16 8 2 1180 1124 36

Victoria Chinooks — 16 7 2 1094 1124 34

CVO Seals — 16 7 2 1188 1533 36

Next game: Saturday — VICTORIA vs. IGA Grocers at Vancouver.

**VICTORIA CHINOOKS AND IGA GROCERS** go into their scheduled series in Vancouver Saturday and Sunday tied for first place in the Inter-City Junior Men's Basketball League.

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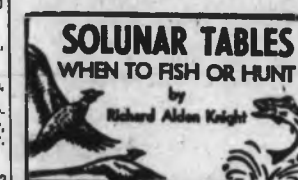
**HAVE AN EDGE**

Should they split the games, the title goes to the team with the best point record in the four games played against each other this season. Chinooks lead, 144-120, from the Victoria games.

In the other game, Killarney Community Centre claimed third place from North Shore Mountaineers.

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By Richard Alden Knight

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## Tonight's Badminton

Play in the Victoria badminton championships continues tonight at the Victoria Racquet Club. Draw follows:

**7 p.m. — D. Hunt vs. D. Sorenson; R. Lindal vs. L. Goodmanman (men's singles).**

**7:30 — M. J. Smith & A. Currie vs. M. & R. Hunt; A. Currie & R. Hedley vs. J. Westcott & M. Hibberden (men's open doubles); G. Wharton & J. Patterson vs. S. Wood & A. Barr (women's open doubles).**

**8:00 — E. Hedley & B. Hunt vs. R. Atkinson & J. Meala; L. Wilson & R. Lindal vs. L. Goodmanman & J. Patterson (men's open doubles); M. Wagner & R. Woodhouse vs. V. Clavette & B. Bouvier (men's handicap doubles); E. Hibberden & J. Wells vs. B. Macmillan & E. Grant (men's veteran doubles).**

**8:30 — L. Lequene & L. Wilson vs. R. Hedley & D. Boniface (men's veteran doubles); M. J. Smith & L. McLean vs. M. & R. Hunt; A. Currie & R. Hedley vs. V. Kent & I. Goodmanman (mixed doubles); V. Bryant & L. Booth vs. G. Wharton & M. Foulshier; V. Westcott & J. Sallings vs. J. & J. Dewey (mixed handicap doubles).**

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# Second Title Bid by Cottam Runnerup in Novice Singles

TORONTO — Kevin Cottam, 15, of Victoria holds second place in the novice men's singles at the Canadian figure skating championships following the compulsory figures which were skated Thursday.

Cottam, the B.C. junior

champion was well behind leader Roger Luemas of Toronto, 14, who has 220 points going into tonight's free skating finale. The Victoria competitor, with 192.8 points, was behind Vancouver's Skip Groff, 17, who has 198.8 points, but takes second place on the strength of judges

votes in the complicated scoring system.

Cottam received two second-place ratings and one third to Groff's one second and two third-place votes.

Two other Victoria skaters went through the figures portion of their competitions Thursday. Paul Fisher, 18, B.C. men's champion, is sixth in the junior men's competition with 403.3 points and Linda Roe, 15, is in eighth place in the novice women's competition with 193.2 points.

Leaders in the junior men's competition, which finishes Sunday, are John MacWilliams of Toronto, 430.5, Kenneth Polk of Toronto, 428.8, and Ron Shaver of Hamilton, 429.

## YOUNGSTER LEADS

Julie Black, 12, of Sarnia leads the novice women going into tonight's final portion with 224 points, two more than 14-year-old Yvett Steinbrecher of Edmonton.

In the only other competition Thursday, Louise Liel and Barry Soper of Vancouver took the lead in the figures with 131.8 points. Brenda Sandys and James Holden of Toronto are next at 128.9.

Only one of the 13 titles has been won in the first two days of the championships which finish Monday. Linda Tasker, 15, and Allen Carson, 17, of Oakville, Ont., who have only been together for six months,

won the novice pairs Wednesday.

Cottam and Miss Roe, who lead in the novice dance competition, skate their final dances on Saturday.

## Another Blanked Weekend

Soccer officials have been forced to postpone all local matches for another week.

Victoria O'Keefe's of the Pacific Coast Soccer League received permission from park officials to hold the match scheduled for Saturday at MacDonald Park against Croatia but coach Bill Abbott and president Ron Southern decided it would be too dangerous to play.

The Victoria and District League also cancelled its program.

Local secretary Don Wake-lyn of the B.C. Soccer Commission reminds team officials that the final deadline for transfer of senior players is Jan. 31.

## OUTDOORS

with Alec Merriman



The weather has been cold but ardent anglers have been fishing and meeting with good success.

Fishing with guide Gordy Lamont Saturday in Finlayson Arm we hit a limit of spring salmon up to 15½ pounds.

Frigid weather has brought ice conditions to both Brentwood and Finlayson Arm, but winds soon free the fishing water, so check with the boat-houses before heading out fishing. Don't take a chance running through even the thinnest skin of ice because you could slice your boat.

Tod Inlet has been producing big springs, including a 24-pounder for Tom Alexander Monday. There have been plenty of bluebacks in The Boulder-to-Willis Point-waters on green hookies, flash-tails,

and dodgers, with six ounces of weight.

Indian Bay has been producing both blues and jacksprings on No. 2 Krippled K spoons, dodgers, spinners and 150 feet of wire line.

Howard Pepper reports Oak Bay and Trial Island waters good for springs and blues.

Tom Mack's, hookies and herring have been getting blues and springs at Crofton. Duncan Bay, north of Campbell River has been good for springs on mooched live herring and Buzz Bombs. Comox Harbor has been good for springs.

Rivers are mainly too low for best steelheading, but watch for the show. Exceptions are the Cowichan, which has been providing excellent steelheading, and the controlled-flow Puntledge and Campbell Rivers, where steelheading has been reported fair.

The Feb. 2 steelhead workshop to be held at the Nanaimo Fish and Game Clubhouse is shaping up as a full-scale knock 'em down, drag 'em out type of meeting which should see the start of an intensified program of steelhead management in British Columbia.

The meeting is sponsored by the B.C. Wildlife Federation, but anyone interested in steelheading is invited, with registration starting at 9 a.m.

There will be plenty of opportunity to air beefs when those attending break into small groups to discuss the comments of the various speakers, exchange opinions, organize reports and draft recommendations and resolutions.

Speakers will have plenty to say.

Chief provincial fisheries biologist Ed Vernon will be on hand to tell about steelhead management in British Columbia, with a question period to follow his talk.

On the other hand, Dave Maw, co-chairman of the B.C. Wildlife Federation's freshwater fisheries committee, will talk about "the failure of the provincial government to initiate a restocking program and the necessity of the federal fisheries to investigate a unified propagation program. Barry Thornton, of Courtenay, the other co-chairman, will kick the meeting off to a good start at 9:55 a.m. with a talk on "interference on steelhead habitat."

Some of the questions to be considered at the meeting:

Are specific regulations necessary for every stream?

Is a closure on all upstream waters necessary for protection of spawning fish?

Is a closure necessary on tributary waters to allow for spawning?

Are lure and/or bait restrictions necessary?

Do we need a steelhead hatchery program?

Would raising the size limit on trout in known steelhead streams protect downstream migrating steelhead?

Is an increase on the non-resident fishing licence fee necessary?

Is legislation required to keep river banks natural?

Should we increase the fine for dynamiting?

Is an increased river mouth area closure necessary to protect steelhead waiting to ascend a stream?

If established, would a tagging program for sportmen improve steelhead fishing?

How can access to rivers be provided on private land?

Should the daily and seasonal limits for steelhead be increased or decreased?

Should the cost of the steelhead punch card be increased?

How can steelhead fishermen and sportmen police their own?

What steps and policies are necessary to ensure adequate protection of habitat?

Who should have responsibility for management of the steelhead resource?

Should there be closures on certain rivers during peak runs to ensure escapement to spawning grounds?

Should the steelhead fishermen with their intimate know-

ledge of their local area steelhead management be given a say?

If you have any ideas on any of those questions ... and what steelheader hasn't? ... then the Feb. 2 meeting is for you.

Victoria-Saanich Inlet Anglers' Association will hold its annual general meeting and banquet at the Ingraham Hotel Feb. 1, with banquet starting at 6:30 p.m. and the meeting at 8 to be followed by a dance. Tickets for the banquet and dance are \$3.75 each for members and friends and may be purchased from Royal Coachman, Ben Hill's Sport Shop or Inlet boat-houses, not later than Jan. 29.

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# State Ball Gay Affair

By DOROTHY WROTNOWSKI  
and EILEEN LEABOYD

Government House looking like a grey fortress in the snow, brooded under a quarter moon for the biggest party of the British Columbia year Thursday night — the State Ball.

Captains of industry, finance and politics — and officers of the armed services — arrived in streams of cars with wives and sweethearts swathed in chiffon, satin and silk.

It was B.C. at its best, and a very good-looking best it was.

There was glitter and sparkle both inside and outside. The lights of the cars

that came in a steady stream picked out the sparkle of ice-ying with the glitter of jewels and medals as the passengers stepped out to enter the warm and glowing atmosphere of Government House.

Fires were blazing in the large fireplace in the entrance and in the drawing room where Lieutenant-Governor and Mrs. Nicholson received their guests.

A profusion of flowers — daffodils, tulips and narcissus — filled the red-carpeted great hall where hundreds entered to make their first calls on the new lieutenant-governor and his gracious chaperone, for even the traditional New

Years Day reception had been cancelled and it was an initial greeting for many.

Mrs. Nicholson chose a gown of darkest green peau de soie embroidered with silver tracery on the bodice and wide side panel that swept into a slight side train. She had pearls and a diamond tiara.

Three former lieutenant-governors and their wives were at the ball — The Hon. and Mrs. Clarence Wallace, The Hon. and Mrs. Frank MacKenzie Ross and The Hon. and Mrs. George R. Pearkes — as well as widows of two former lieutenant-governors, Mrs. Eric W. Hamber and Mrs. W. C. Woodward.

Mrs. Wallace wore a full-skirted gown of pale beige satin brocade with gold pattern and a tiara. Mrs. Ross chose a Worth model in pale old gold faille heavily embroidered in gold. Mrs. Pearkes was in deep beige peau de soie sheath with glitter at the neckline.

Mrs. Hamber's gown was of water green lace, and Mrs. Woodward chose black with silver thread.

Mrs. Ralph Campney, widow of the minister of national defence in the Pearson government, was over from Vancouver. She was stunning in a Marie Kaffia model featuring a short bodice of black peau de soie and skirt of silver print brocade — material that her husband had brought back from Korea.

Mrs. Leslie Peterson was striking in a stark white peau de soie with touches of deep chocolate brown, and Mrs. Robert Bonner wore a pink sheath with pink ostrich feathers around the top of the strapless bodice.

Mrs. Hugh Stephen was in a cyclamen-toned classic crepe gown, and Mrs. Hugh Curtis also chose a gown in deep pink with sequined ring collar. There never were prettier ballgowns.

Mrs. John Wallace, dark-eyed and dark-haired, wore a champagne gown of duffed satin with a dazzling, Spanish-frilled low back, and long crystal earrings.

Mrs. Tom Capozzi, Kelowna, wore a loose Roman dress of silver and white stripes with



Photographer Jim Ryan caught this general view of imposing State Ball in Government House



Nicholsons greet Mrs. C. N. Woodward

a circlet of diamonds in her fair hair that had everyone turning for second and third looks.

Her sister-in-law, Mrs. Herbert Capozzi, whose husband is the member for Vancouver Centre, was also in white, the high neck of her gown lit by diamonds.

Mrs. John Wade's straight white crepe dress had wide bands of silver beading on the short sleeves and at the hemline.

Mrs. Richard Bower was in tangerine chiffon with floating back panel and Mrs. F. A. E. Manning's sheath of deep beige lace had a side split skirt.

Mrs. Ed Lum wore amethyst peau de soie with deep ruffle at the hemline and Mrs. Connie Menzies was in white peau de soie with silver sequin embroidery. Mrs. Jack Lee's black dress had large coins of gold imprinted on it. Mrs. Gordon Elworthy chose black and brocade.

Another eye-stopping gown was worn by Mrs. Ted Cohen whose silver, gold and purple dress was bought in Jerusalem.



Trudeau cut marks Herb Capozzi with brother Tom, wives

The wife of consul for Guatemala, Mrs. Bernard W. Hoeter, was also stunning in a dress handwoven by Maya Indians at Lake Atitlan. It was red and silver and black in dramatic bands.

Mrs. M. L. T. Drake in white dynasty satin from Hong Kong, Mrs. Peter Banks in jade green brocade, Mrs. G. M. Bold in a midnight blue sheath, and Mrs. R. White in pink with red roses at the nape of her neck, all had heads turning.

After 600 guests had been received by His Honor and Mrs. Nicholson in the emerald and white drawing room, they entered the magnificent gold and scarlet ballroom to swirl around the floor to the West Indian music of the Skylighters.

"Very swinging music," said Jack James of Salt Spring Island, tapping his foot, "very merry indeed." Mrs. James looked lovely in black over gold.

Jack Bateman of the B.C. Vocational School at Nanaimo was responsible for the catering.

## Pomp and Ceremony Are Order of the Day at Formal Opening of B.C. Legislature



New Liberal David Brousson meets Speaker Murray as Allan Cox awaits turn



Royal Roads honor guard is inspected by Lieutenant Governor Nicholson



Camera lens catches brilliant scene in legislative chamber



# Bennett, Strachan Open in Style

By DESMOND BILL

Thursday's opening session of the B.C. legislature was just one hour old before Premier Bennett and Opposition Leader Strachan lost their tempers.

The flash came after Opposition Leader Robert Strachan tried to put the premier on the spot just after the opening formalities were over.

Mr. Strachan suggested that a legislative committee should study ways to modernize House rules. He said the committee should consider whether it was desirable to have a daily oral question period, direct broadcasting of House proceedings and a fixed

time for adjournment of the House each day.

Speaker William Murray ruled Mr. Strachan's suggestions out of order. He said the only proper way for him to bring them up was by giving notice of motion.

Mr. Strachan said he would not question the Speaker's ruling, but added that "perhaps the premier would agree" to his suggestion.

Premier Bennett jumped up and started to say, "The Leader of the Opposition has again shown..." when his words were drowned by shouts of "Order, Order" from Opposition members.

When the din quieted, the

premier wagged a finger at Mr. Strachan and snapped "You're the fourth leader of your party, I see" and pointed at the members who have announced their candidacy for the NDP leadership which Mr. Strachan is resigning.

Mr. Strachan looked at the premier in cold fury, then roared back at him. "And you are the last Social Credit premier of the province," the premier seemed to have taken

back at the riposte that Mr. Strachan, seeing he had scored, lost his anger, leaned back in his chair, and had a great laugh while his supporters cheered.

The premier came back with, "I may be the last,

perhaps, but it will last for 50 years," but is sounded limp.

The two men had clashed minutes before over the perennial question of whether the house should keep a verbatim transcript of its proceedings. That time, also, Mr. Strachan's motion was ruled out of order by the Speaker because it involved the expenditure of public funds.

Mr. Strachan questioned the Speaker's ruling, but on a standing vote the Speaker was upheld 29 to 22 on a straight split of government members and the combined Liberal and NDP Opposition members.

It was the first legislative session to be opened by

Lieutenant-Governor J. R. Nicholson, but his reading of the Speech from the Throne had only two hitches.

Once he said that "loyalties, traditions and constitutional safeguards" had saved the nation when the text said they served it.

And he said that total labor income in British Columbia has risen in the last year by 60 per cent when it should have been 6 per cent.

The opening of the legislature saw the introduction of four new members, New Democrats Norman Levi (Vancouver South) and William S. King (Revelstoke-Slocan) and Liberals Allan

Cox (Oak Bay) and David Broussard (North Vancouver-Capilano).

It also brought a tribute to F. J. Vulliamy, the former NDP member for Burnaby-Willingdon who died last fall. Premier Bennett moved a resolution expressing to Mr. Vulliamy's family the "sincere regret" of the legislature at his death.

Mr. Strachan said the late member was "a quiet man and a gentleman" and that his last few years as an MLA were the culmination of a life of public service. Members stood in silence for one minute in tribute to their late colleague.

## \$50,594,476 B.C.'s Profit From Liquor

British Columbians spent an average of \$34 for every man, woman and child on liquor last year, the legislature was told Thursday.

The annual report of the Liquor Control Board for the year ended March 31, 1968, showed total sales of \$169,065,853, up \$13,133,321 from the previous year.

The net LCB profit for the year was \$50,594,476, up from \$44,856,114 the previous year and \$7,000,000 higher than the revenues previously estimated by Premier Bennett, as finance minister.

B.C. wines accounted for two-thirds of all wine sales, to show an increase of just over \$1,000,000 to \$3,678,597. All wine sales totaled \$14,777,280. Beer drinkers bought \$83,287,509 worth of beer, up more \$4,000,000, and hard liquor sales were up some \$7,000,000 to \$87,094,474.

The Queen's Printer operated at a \$61,000 profit during the 12-month period ended Dec. 31, 1968. The report showed sales of \$2,667,480 and purchases of \$2,435,392, with expenses totalling \$189,568.

The provincially owned and operated Pacific Great Eastern Railway had a net profit of \$689,949 for the year ended Dec. 31, 1968.

It was the second consecutive year the railway ended up in the black after all debt charges and depreciation had been deducted. The profit for 1967 was \$395,325.

Last year's operating revenues totalled \$26,215,038, compared with operating expenses of \$16,934,343. However, when \$7,598,700 in debt charges and \$3,284,146 in depreciation had been deducted, the net profit on the year's operations amounted to \$689,949.

Ralph E. Lofmark — the professor who became a politician — remains the biggest expense-account spender in the cabinet.

Mr. Lofmark spent \$7,351 on travelling expenses during the year ended March 31, 1968.

Welfare and Municipal Affairs Minister Dan Campbell was in second spot, with \$7,633. Premier Bennett's travelling cost the taxpayers \$7,559, which was \$97 more than he spent the year before.

Fourth place was held by P. A. Gagliardi, whose expenses totalled \$7,307. Mr.

## Provincial Vote? Take Your Pick

Premier Bennett told a press conference Thursday he doesn't see a provincial general election coming soon. But he told reporters: "Don't try to fence me in."

"We'll have an election in 1969, 1970 or 1971," the premier said. His government was re-elected Sept. 12, 1966, and its five-year term of office would expire on that date in 1971.

## Bennett Says Drinking Law Changed Soon

Premier Bennett made it clear Thursday the government wants to make some changes in B.C. drinking regulations even before the royal commission to be appointed shortly brings in its final report.

"We will give the commission no instructions, but I would think the government would certainly suggest that we would like interim reports from time to time," the premier told a press conference following the reading of the throne speech.

Mr. Bennett said that, given an interim report by that time, he thought there could be some changes in liquor regulations based upon the commission's recommendations "in a couple of months."

He indicated that Attorney-General Leslie Peterson, who will outline the government's thinking on this issue when he speaks in the throne speech debate Tuesday, might announce cabinet appointments of the commissioners.

HOW MANY? The premier refused Thursday to give details of how many commissioners would be appointed by the cabinet. He noted that when Social Credit appointed the Stevens liquor royal commission in 1952, following a plebiscite in which voters overwhelmingly supported more liberal liquor laws, there were three members.

The throne speech said the recommendations of the Stevens report resulted in major legislative improvements.

FURTHER REVIEW "My government," said the throne speech, "considers it appropriate that a further review of laws and regulations relating to the sale and consumption of spirituous, vinous and malt liquors be undertaken, and for that purpose a royal commission will be appointed under the provisions of the Public Inquiries Act."

The provincial Government Employees Medical Services plan ended its last full year of operations outside of medicare with a deficit of \$122,048.

The plan's annual report, tabled in the legislature Thursday, showed the deficit for the year ended March 31, 1968, was \$94,591 more than the deficit for the previous year. Since July 1, GEMS has been absorbed into the national medicare scheme.

During the 1967-68 fiscal year the government employees' plan, which also covers MLAs and their families, had expenditures exceeding income from premiums by \$143,671, compared to \$49,586 the previous year. A total of \$21,623 in investment interest brought this amount down to the final deficit figure.

## Quick B.C. Growth Outstripped By Pupil Explosion

Fast as British Columbia is growing, its school population is growing even faster.

That's the theme of the education department's 1967-68 annual report, tabled in the legislature Thursday.

Causes of the surge, says the report, are "very high" immigration into B.C., increased kindergarten classes, a transfer of children from private schools to public—especially in low elementary grades—and the fact more teenagers are staying in school longer.

HIGHEST MARK In fact, says the report, B.C.'s 1968 record for graduating high school students is believed the highest in Canada.

In 1968, 79.3 per cent of the corresponding elementary school enrolment of 1958-62 graduated from high school. Previous B.C. figure for 1967 was 75 per cent.

Enrolment in B.C. public schools totalled 467,326 in June, 1968. It was a 5-per-cent increase in one year.

HIGH RATIO Dr. C. B. Conway, director of tests and standards, points out that while B.C.'s population doubled between 1911-1966 and

## Civil Servants To Get Raises

The throne speech Thursday was free with its praise for civil servants, but contained no hint that the government plans to grant employee groups collective bargaining rights.

But no other civil service in Canada could surpass and few could even equal the comprehensive program of benefits which B.C. civil servants now enjoyed, it was stated.

Premier Bennett was asked whether this session would see the government according to demands for collective bargaining rights.

"We'll give them practical help — and that means more money," Mr. Bennett replied. He announced last month that his budget Feb. 7 would contain salary increases for all ranks in the civil service.

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This will involve raising the status of magistrates' courts, with the province paying the salaries of magistrates at a saving to municipalities estimated at approximately \$750,000 a year, and the B.C. Supreme and County Courts to be merged into a single Superior Court.

Mr. Bennett said the move to raise the standard of magistrates' courts would also lift an "expensive burden" from municipalities.

FIRST APPEARANCE The lieutenant-governor, making his first official appearance before the House to open the third session of the 28th B.C. Legislative Assembly, took approximately 45 minutes to read the 4,600-word Speech from the Throne.

The speech reiterated the government view that social development and economic development are "inseparable goals" and added that the attainment of these goals for all Canadians, including those resident on the northern frontier, required policies both visionary and practical.

It said: "During the forthcoming year my government

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will continue to advocate such policies at the national level while expanding its programs for human betterment within British Columbia.

EDUCATION, HEALTH "These programs will have particular regard for the fields of education and health, and although their requirements are very great in a province whose population is increasing at twice the rate of the rest of the nation, every reasonable effort must be made to meet them if present and future generations of British Columbians are to meet their full potential."

Expanded and improved government services in the field of education "to persons of all ages and at all levels of academic attainment" will be placed before this session. However, the throne speech gave no details, most of which will be contained in the budget to be brought down Feb. 7.

New divisions of special education, designed to help educationally handicapped children, and audio-visual services will be created within the education department.

The government plans to

to set the pace of economic development in Canada," the speech said. It claimed the greatest per capita growth in new investment for 1968, but also sounded a warning note.

Despite rising production levels, gains in personal income, and increased employment, the speech noted, "at the same time unfortunately strong pressures on prices and wages were evident." In a call for restraint, it added that co-operative effort of all sectors of the economy would be required to maintain B.C.'s competitive position in world markets.

The government also appealed for a spirit of co-operation and understanding to be shown by both labor and management in the province to assure the success of the B.C. Mediation Commission, which came into full effect last Dec. 2.

LONG BEACH PARK There were brief mentions in the speech of new legislation to facilitate development of a national park at Long Beach on the west coast of Vancouver Island, and legislation arising from meetings with the provinces and the national govern-

ment in the field of consumer protection.

Another bill to be introduced at this session will ensure "appropriate observance" of the 100th anniversary of B.C.'s entry into Confederation in 1971.

The supply of public housing in the province, according to the throne speech, will be doubled in the next two years. The report of the provincial housing director dated Jan. 15, 1969, shows the total number of public housing units in the province now stands at 33,068.

EXPLANATION WANTS The premier told reporters Thursday that any explanation of government policies designed to achieve the 100 per cent increase would have to await the speech to the legislature by "the minister of housing," Municipal Affairs Minister Dan Campbell.

More work is planned on studies on major rivers, including the Liard, in northern B.C. Mr. Bennett later said the scope of the work and future development may depend upon the proposed boundary changes which would extend B.C. to the Arctic.



# Hothouse of Color Breaks Up Cold Spell

By DOROTHY WROTNOWSKI  
and EILEEN LEAROLD

The streets were icy and it was a cold day carrying a threat of snow, but despite all this a tremendous gathering of guests turned out at the Empress Hotel for a reception by Premier W. A. C. Bennett and the B.C. Government following the opening of the Legislature.

Despite the resemblance to the Russian Steppes outside, the guests provided a hothouse of color as gay as a house-party.

The noticeable effect of the weather was in the choice of hats this year. There were equally as many fur bonnets and felt hats as there were spring creations.

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The snow outside brought a lot of boots inside.

There were boots to the knee and boots to the ankle in both rubber and leather and they came in reds, browns and even white. The frigid outdoors also caused a rash of fur hats from snug ear-covering bonnets to high white fur in Oossack style.

Mrs. Nicholson, wife of the lieutenant-governor, chose the spring theme for her ensemble. Her suit was of emerald green silk and her tiny hat was of small, deep pink roses and sprays of lilac.

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Former lieutenant-governor Frank Ross and Mrs. Ross were over from Vancouver for the opening and the functions in connection. Mrs. Ross wore a black, silk-ribbed coat and brimmed hat of soft white fur.

Attorney-General Leslie Peterson and Mrs. Peterson, Hon. Kenneth Kierman and the Hon. and Mrs. Ray Wiliston were in the main receiving line with Premier Bennett.

Mrs. Peterson chose a white suit set off with a hat of shiny black feathers and Mrs. Wiliston wore a blue suit with matching hat.

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Although maitre d' Joe Zandchell said there were 3,000 people — and he should know — at no time was there the crush of former years. Even the food didn't seem to disappear as quickly.

Besides, you could even see a few people you knew now and again. While waiting in the lobby for the lines to start moving, we were talking to Mrs. Laurence Johansson



Sister L. Conroy of St. Joseph's Hospital exchanges smiles and handshake

with Attorney-General Leslie Peterson. — (William E. John photos)

was really dressed for the weather — outside at any rate. Her leather-belted coat was of beige and white fur and her cosy helmet was fastened under her chin.

A jaunty fur jockey-cap in leopard spots was worn by the beautiful MLA from North Okanagan, the Hon. Pat Jordan, while Mrs. Peter Paul Saunders, Vancouver, looked as though she had just stepped out of a sleigh in full-length sables, fur hat and booted to the knee.

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On the other hand, Mrs. C. Rushton of East Sooke looked as if spring had come in a hat of crushed white satin, along with Mrs. Philip Gagliardi in a wide-brimmed straw trimmed in flowers and pretty Mrs. Ralph Lottmark in raspberry linen and a hat of flower petals.

Mr. Bennett's admirers seem to know no age limit.

The very first one in line, 20 minutes early for the affair, was young Robert Beckett, age 13. (Robert attended with his friend, Red Ensign enthusiast George Burnham. He did not bring his flag to the party.)

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As the Crystal ballroom filled up with dark blue uniforms of the RCMP, the black cloth of the clergy, the formal attire of the MLAs and the sombre uniforms of the aides, two men stood out like Louis XIV at a modern board of directors' meeting—they were Mr. John Wooliams and Mr. Tony Gray.



Neighborly greeting comes from Mrs. C. W. McCarthy, who tells Premier

Bennett she has had apartment next door to his in Oak Bay block for years.

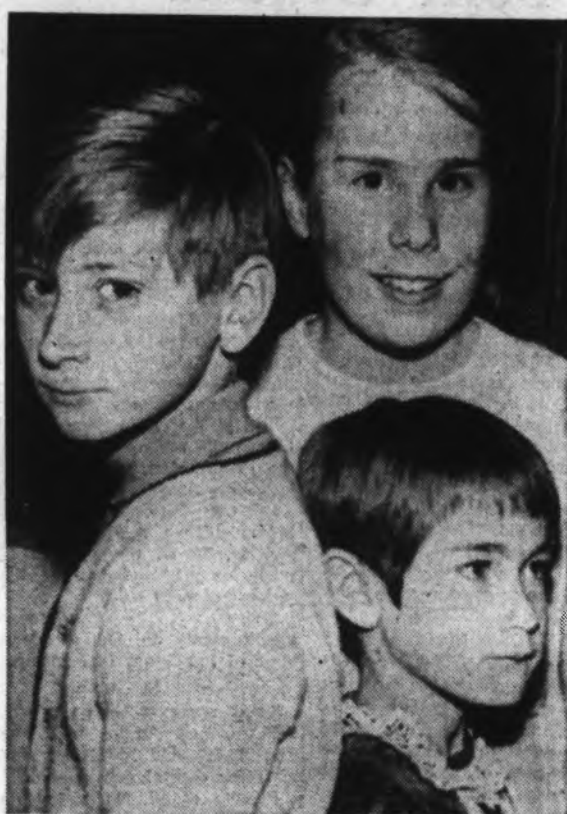
Mr. Wooliams is a freelance writer from Vancouver, and Mr. Gray is president of the Little Mountain Social Credit group. The former wore a bright pink shirt with a tie widely striped in orange and pink, and Mr. Gray wore a shirt of cyclamen with tie in pink and maroon. Both men have brown mustaches.

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Noticed in the crowd were Mr. and Mrs. John Jameson, she in a wool suit of vivid blue, Mrs. Ralph Newstead in an outfit that was completely red, Mrs. Brian Whitlow in blue wool, Mrs. Jack Tang in a pagoda-like hat of pearls, Mrs. Stephen Kripps in a pale mint suit and mint hat, Mrs. Roma Matinson wearing a hat waving with ostrich feathers, and Mrs. Jack Gregory, wife of the chief of police, in black which goes beautifully with her pale hair. Mrs. Ray Maitland was also attractive in black velvet.

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Among the dozens from the Salvation Army were newcomers, Miss and Mrs. John Wood, formerly of Oshawa. They were a little wide-eyed at the local weather. By 6:30 p.m. the long, long queues were gone and the party was over.

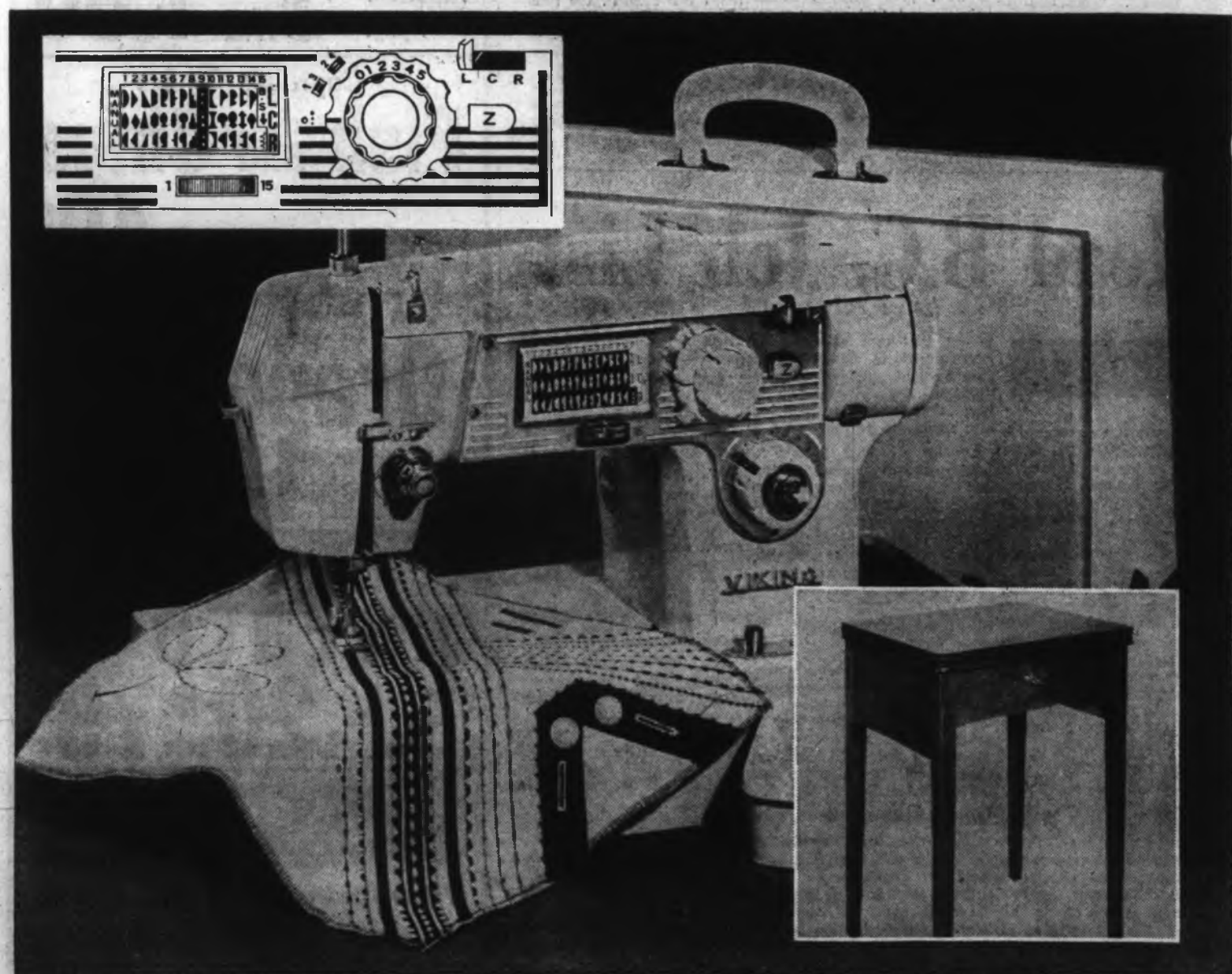


At top, 12-year-old Kim Gardom, daughter of Liberal MLA Garde Gardom of Vancouver Point Grey, smiles over two occasions—birthday and first formal reception. Back to back are Eric and Lisa Hartley, children of Yale-Lillooet NDP member W. L. Hartley.



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## Russia Seeks Extra Games

WINNIPEG (CP) — The Soviet hockey team would like to play one or two more games against Canada's Nationals during its current tour and the Canadian Amateur Hockey Association will try to accommodate the Russians, executive director Gordon Jukes said Wednesday. A decision will be made after the Russians arrive for games Sunday and Tuesday in Winnipeg.

## Blues Seek Czech Star

BRNO, Czechoslovakia (AP) — Cliff Fletcher of St. Louis Blues of the National Hockey League has been negotiating with a Brno club for the transfer of Jaroslav Jirik.

Czech club officials said no definite agreement has been reached so far, but that Jirik, a left winger on the Czech national team, probably will be allowed to go to St. Louis.

## Santa Anita Racing News

ACADIA, Calif. — Results of Thursday's thoroughbred racing at Santa Anita Park with entries and selections for today:

First Race—\$4,000, claiming, four-year-olds and up, one and one-sixteenth miles: Trojan Blue (Mahoney) \$7.20 \$3.80 \$3.00 Persian Rug (Valenzuela) \$6.40 7.20 Victory Beauty (Vogel) 2.40

Also ran: Radkovic, Happy Go, Amp, El Lobo, Breeze, Well, Amer, Game Ophan. Time: 1:18 4/5.

Second Race—\$4,500, claiming, three-year-olds, six furlongs: Fleet Deb (Vance) \$9.90 \$3.80 \$3.00 Decoma (Vojta) 4.00 4.00 Salarina (Piney) 2.20

Also ran: Snap Hance, Holme's Road, Petite Owl, New Bull, Althoff's Nugget, Get Ready, Mayday's Girl, Roder's Boy, Jury Lady. Time: 1:12 3/5.

Third Race—\$4,000, maiden, 2-year-old fillies, three furlongs: Lisa Grey (Valenzuela) \$5.00 \$3.20 \$2.60 Bottle Baby (Palomino) 4.80 1.60

Also ran: Artful Envy, My First, Racer, Sogor, Loui Lynn, Quin's Girl, Part Indian, Getaway. Time: 34 1/5.

Fourth Race—\$3,000, maidens, three-year-olds, one and one-sixteenth miles: Ship Lock (Pierce) \$5.20 \$3.00 \$2.40 Hennessey (Piney) 5.00 1.20

Also ran: Summer Cottage, Red Hot, Monticello, Tang Tang Road, Time: 1:49 3/5.

Fifth Race—\$5,500, allowance, three-year-olds, six furlongs: Love You So (Belmonte) \$6.20 \$3.00 \$2.00 Lady Neko (Piney Jr.) 3.80

Also ran: Marjorie's Theme, Rose Thorn, Nancy Sue, Durban, Newville, Royal Spain, Miss Amber, Treble Rose, Queen Nita. Time: 1:13 1/5.

Sixth Race—\$5,000, claiming, three-year-olds and up, six furlongs: Happy Sam (Yaka) \$20.20 \$3.00 \$2.40

Also ran: Buckle Up, Transcency, Royal Bitch, Salt Son, Closely Rival, Ship and Shell, Big Mack, Ship Talk, Attention III. Time: 1:12 2/5.

Seventh Race—\$7,500, allowance, four-year-olds and up, miles and maidens, six and half furlongs: Loudmire (Lambert) \$8.80 \$5.00 \$3.80 Laguna Royale (Piney) 8.40 4.40

Also ran: Forward, Level, Gypsy, Hopalong, Everything Lovely, Baby La, Merry Mayday, Miss Demure, Sea Life. Time: 1:19 2/5.

Eighth Race—\$20,000, added, \$1 Monte Henning, four-year-olds and up, one and one-sixteenth miles: Terrific Tiger (Belmonte) \$7.80 \$2.10 \$1.60

Also ran: El Dorado, Time: 1:40 3/5.

Ninth Race—\$20,000, added, \$1 Monte Henning, four-year-olds and up, one and one-sixteenth miles: Terrific Tiger (Belmonte) \$7.80 \$2.10 \$1.60

Also ran: El Dorado, Time: 1:40 3/5.

## Old Faithful

TUCSON, Ariz. (AP) — A hunting dog was recovered unharmed after falling 110 feet down an abandoned mine shaft. The dog was still holding a quail in its mouth, rescuers reported.

Jukes said the Russians have declared they are prepared to stay a couple of extra days to make up the scheduled Jan. 18 opener at Montreal, which was cancelled when they did not arrive on time.

They might even be able to stay long enough for an extra game, extending the tour to nine games.

The series now is scheduled to wind up Jan. 30 at Ottawa, where the Russians also play Jan. 24.

NOT MONTREAL. Jukes said the CAHA would prefer not to play a third game at Ottawa and it did not appear economical to bring the Soviets back to the West, so a number of eastern centres are being checked.

He said Maple Leaf Gardens in Toronto has no suitable dates available, and the CAHA has no indication the Montreal Forum whose president David Molson announced earlier he will have nothing further to do with the Russians, will change its mind.

## Three-Week Rest Ordered for Geoffrion

NEW YORK (UPI) — Berne "boom boom" Geoffrion, suffering from an ailing stomach and a last place team, was ordered by doctors Thursday to take a complete three-week rest from his coaching duties with the New York Rangers. Emile Francis, the

club's general manager and the man whom Geoffrion replaced as coach at the start of this season, will handle the coaching duties during Geoffrion's absence.

Despite repeated rumors during the last two weeks that Geoffrion would be fired as the New York coach, Francis insisted that "Boomer is the

coach today, will be the coach tomorrow, and will be the coach three weeks from now." It will be up to Geoffrion and the doctors to decide at the end of that time if he will be able to resume his coaching duties.

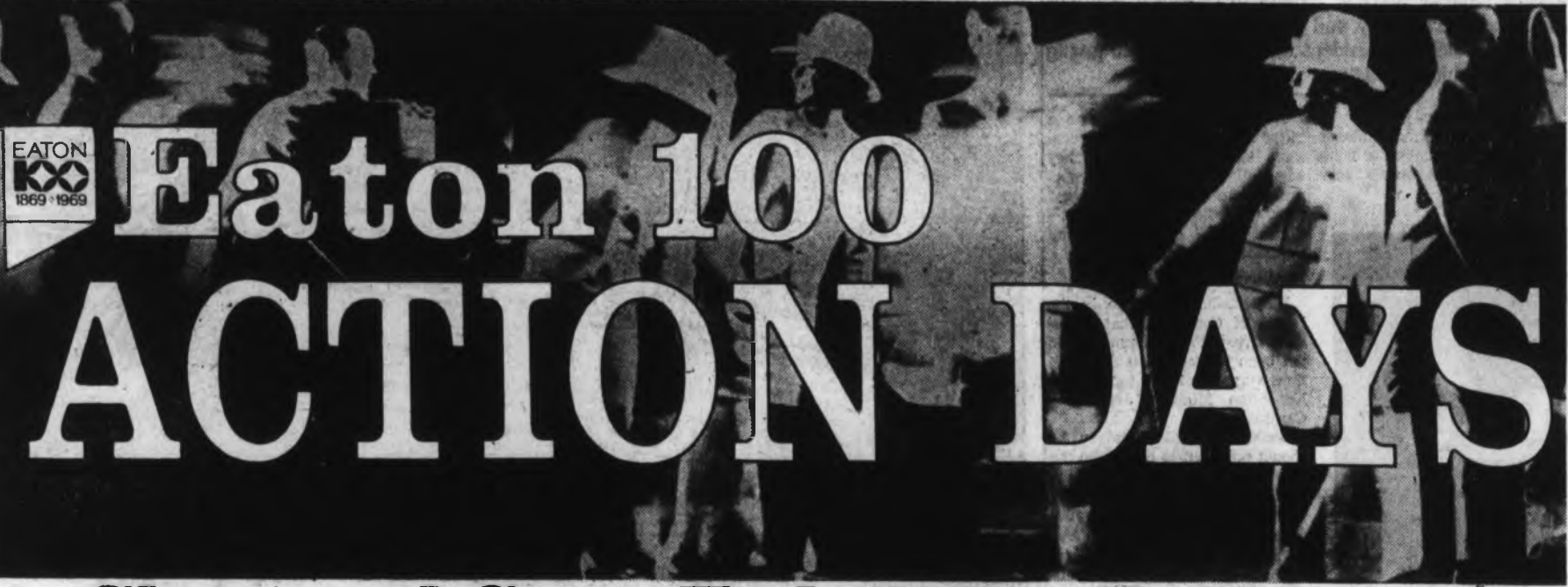
Francis said that in spite of the club's recent showing and Geoffrion's attack, it was still

his intention to allow the Boomer to continue coaching. "But he never let on to me how bad it was," Francis said. "There is no way a fellow could carry on if he isn't 100 per cent. He went to the doctor's today and it was decided he should take the rest. I want to make it clear I am an interim coach. This is a trying

time, but I'm positive he'll be back 100 per cent."

Geoffrion, speaking in a subdued voice, said: "I feel very bad to leave the club like this in last place. I won't take responsibility for what happened to this club. Maybe some games I wasn't up for, but I did my best."

Emile Francis gave me a chance to come back and play in the NHL and to coach in the NHL. As far as I'm concerned I did my best with this club and it's not my fault if my health isn't good enough to continue. I love this game too much to quit like this."



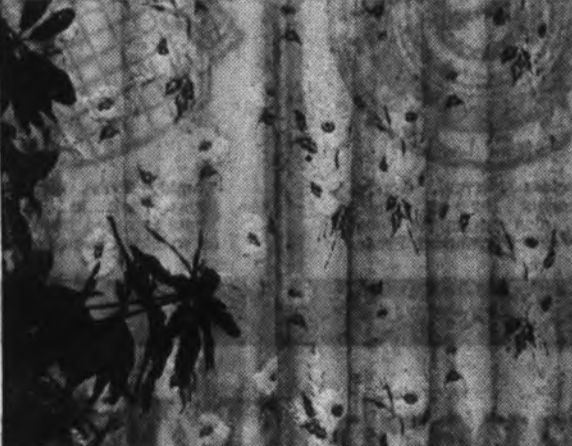
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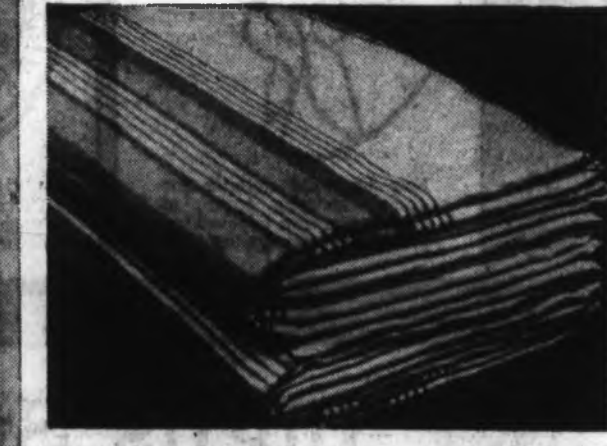
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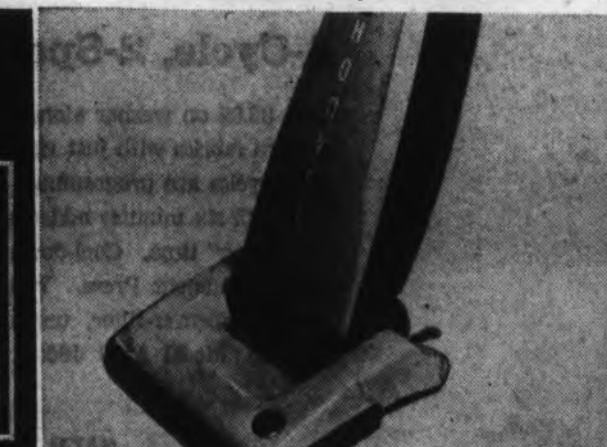
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## Trudeau Shrugs To Snubbing, Flareup Doused

OTTAWA (UPI) — Prime Minister Trudeau side-stepped another possible flareup in Canada's relations with France Thursday and coolly shrugged off the exceptional welcome President de Gaulle has been giving a Quebec cabinet minister.

Trudeau said France had "sovereign authority" over its guest lists for formal dinners, and Canada's ambassador could find pretty good meals elsewhere.



Trudeau



Diefenbaker

Trudeau was responding to a bitter attack by former Conservative leader John Diefenbaker who called on the Liberal government to lodge formal protest over what he termed France's "latest snub" of the Canadian ambassador in Paris.

### NOT TO ALL

Diefenbaker took note in the House of Commons that Canada's envoy Paul Beaudet, had not been invited to all the functions staged in Paris for Quebec Education Minister Jean Guy Cardinal.

Diefenbaker told Trudeau he should point out to de Gaulle the "tremendous sacrifices" made by Canadian troops in two world wars in defence of French soil.

### OLD-WARRIOR STYLE

Trudeau, sporting a huge carnation in the lapel of a well-worn sports jacket, rose casually in response to Diefenbaker's assault, delivered in his familiar old-warrior style.

"I seem to recall the right honorable gentleman's party saying we protested too much over the Gabon affair — and that was a matter of substance," Trudeau said. He was referring to Canada's breach of relations with Gabon over the African country's bypassing of the federal government in issuing a direct invitation to Quebec to attend an international conference.

### LAUGHING APPLAUSE

The government of France, Trudeau said, has "sovereign authority" over whom it wants to invite to dinner.

"I think our ambassador in Paris knows of other places where he can get a good meal," Trudeau added, to laughing applause from government benches.

### WARMER CLIMES

Diefenbaker persisted, and asked why Trudeau had "passed over" France in his recent trip to Europe, which included attendance in London at the Commonwealth prime ministers' meeting and a visit to Rome.

"I admit I headed for warmer climes," Trudeau said. "But I wasn't too lucky — it was raining in Rome, too."

## Paris Welcome Warm

## Cool Quebecer Promised Aid

PARIS (CP) — Education Minister Jean-Guy Cardinal of Quebec, gratified with his warm welcome in France but cautious in his statements, heard further praise Thursday of the links between France and what Foreign Minister Michel Debre called "the state of Quebec."

Debre expressed his view at a luncheon he gave for Cardinal — for which the guest list included Philippe Rossillon.

### INTERFERENCE

Rossillon, a leading French government organizer of closer ties among the world's French-speaking countries, was criticized last year by Prime Minister Trudeau for alleged interference in Canadian domestic matters.

On Wednesday night, however, Cardinal referred to what he called the work of renovation undertaken in Canada and which he said he wishes to bring to a good end.

### WITHIN FRAMEWORK

This would be within the framework of a new Canadian constitution. Cardinal said the work will go on despite the complexity of the task and the problem caused by "our geographic and demographic situation," and is facilitated by the relationships which now are numerous between France and Quebec.

Debre spoke glowingly of "the French of Canada" and "the state of Quebec."

"Their names ... are our names," the foreign minister said of French-Canadians. "Their language ... is ours."

### COLLABORATE ON GROWTH

He told Cardinal and other Quebec officials now on a visit to France that they seemed to feel "France can sustain you, collaborate with you in this necessary process of growth."

The process referred to by Debre was that of mutual help on all levels among French-speaking countries—the principle of "Francophonie" which Debre reaffirmed with much verbal force.

The Quebec minister seemed less flamboyant in replying to Debre's words, though he asserted

that Franco-Quebec talks taking place are political in nature as well as economic, technical and cultural.

### COOL APPROACH

Cardinal has impressed Paris observers with his cool approach—the style of a decidedly modern-seeming politician.

Consistently short-spoken in public during this stay in the French capital, he told one reporter Thursday it is too early to broach the possible participation of Quebec in the next conference of education ministers from French-speaking countries.

### BURST OF PRAISE

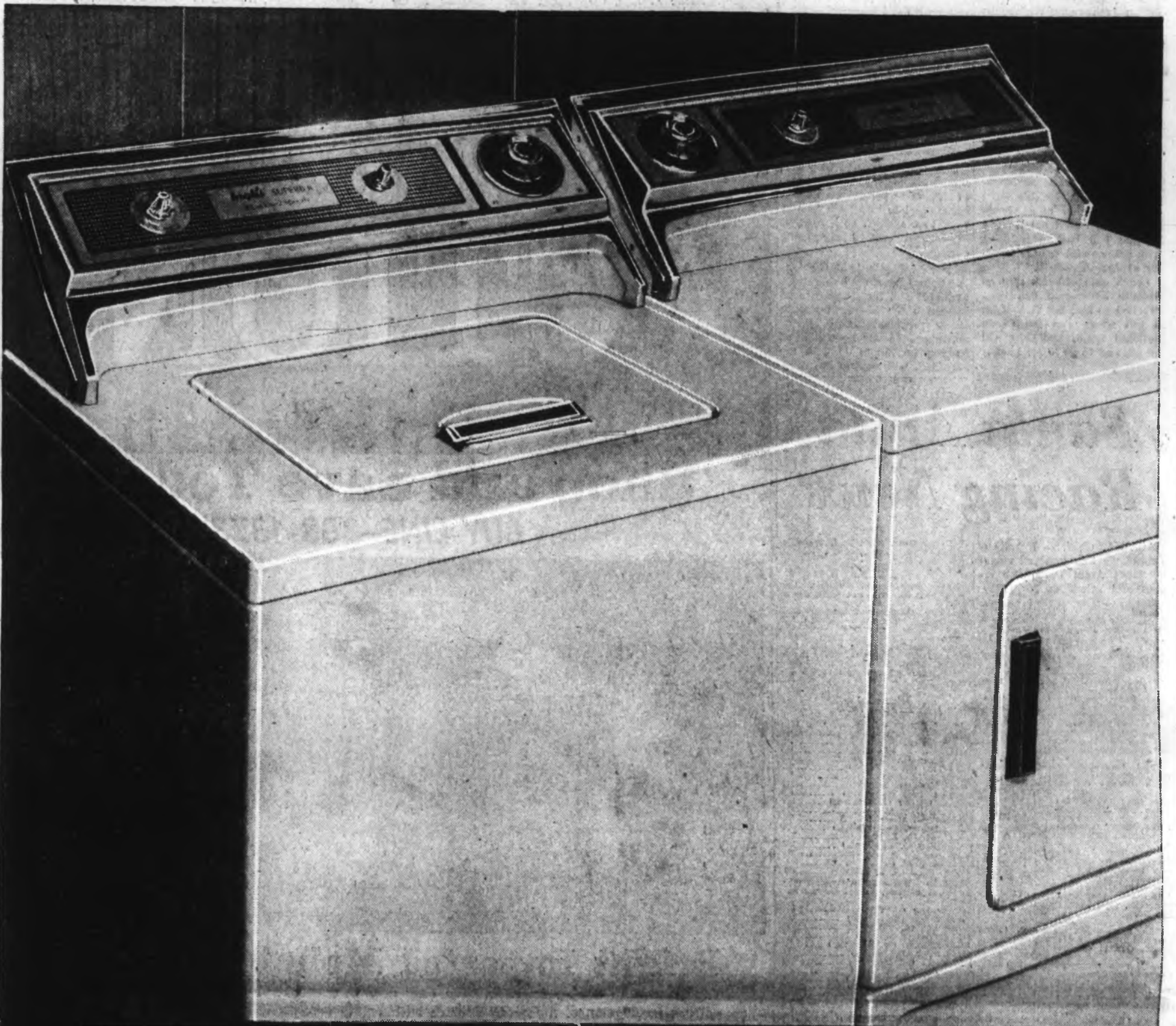
Asked about a Wednesday night burst of praise from President de Gaulle for "the establishment of direct relations between New France and France," Cardinal said the general's speech seemed a normal part of the over-all context of Franco-Quebec friendship.

Canadian Ambassador Paul Beaudet, not invited to most of the Franco-Quebec functions, was on hand for the foreign affairs luncheon Thursday.



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## From Mainland

## Two-Year Wait For Gas

It will probably be at least two years before a subsidiary of Westcoast Transmission Company begins construction of an estimated \$60,000,000 underwater pipeline project designed to supply Vancouver Island with natural gas.

The throne speech read at the opening of the legislature Thursday contained a reference to the project and said the government was pleased to learn "plans are well advanced" for the pipeline link from the mainland to the Island.

Premier Bennett later told reporters the pipeline project would "not necessarily" be built by B.C. Hydro, but he declined to elaborate.

## SUBSIDIARY FORMED

Officials of Westcoast Transmission Company, in a telephone interview from Vancouver, said the company has worked extensively on the project for at least two or three years. A subsidiary, Island and Coast Natural Gas Company, has been formed to supply natural gas to the Island.

A spokesman for the company, engineer Don Duguid, said the \$60,000,000 project had not yet reached the construction stage because the price of natural gas wasn't competitive with other imported fuels.

## ALTERNATE ROUTES

"We have to sell big volumes of gas for industrial use," Mr. Duguid said. "We have made no progress in obtaining long-term gas contracts because of the depressed price of imported residual fuel oils."

He said his company was optimistic that the project would go ahead in two years. Westcoast is now planning to build a pipeline from Williams Lake to serve Powell River and then cross to Vancouver Island. There are also alternate routes under consideration.

"The news is interesting," G. B. McGillivray, B.C. manager of the Canadian Petroleum Association, said of the premier's announcement.

## GROWING NEED

"We have been hoping for a pipeline to carry natural gas to the Island for many years, and we have had many disappointments," he added.

He pointed out that the need for gas on Vancouver Island was growing because of new forest industry mills and plants and the development of new

mines on the northern end of the Island.

"Vancouver Island is natural resources rich, but energy poor," he said.

"So far as electricity is concerned, the Island is too close to the brown-out level at peak periods to be comfortable, despite the fact that B.C. Hydro is proceeding with new generating facilities at Jordan River and elsewhere. There is no doubt that availability of natural gas at economical prices would be a great assistance to the development of the Island."



## Perjury Retrial

## Jury Charged Today

By A. H. MURPHY  
County Court Judge G. B. Laddner will charge the jury

today in the retrial on a charge of perjury against Frank Hubert, 41, of Port Alberni.

Final prosecution evidence was given Thursday. The defence declined to enter evidence, and both prosecuting and defence counsel summed up.

The hearing has been interrupted occasionally while counsel, in the absence of the jury, argued the admissibility of evidence.

## THREE WITNESSES

Only three major witnesses have been heard by members of the all-male jury.

One of them, Lewis T. Kamann, now of Nanaimo, said Thursday that while he was a policeman in Victoria near the end of 1947 or the beginning of 1948, Hubert said to him:

"Sure I killed her — you prove it."

Kamann said that he was taller one night and went to count heads in the lockup. In a cell was Frank Hubert, with whom he had worked at British American Paint Company in 1943.

## "NOT FOR THAT"

Mitchell was an employee at Bapco at the same time, Kamann added.

"I asked him if they had finally locked him up for the murder of Molly Justice," Kamann told the court.

"He didn't answer for a few seconds and then said he was not in there for that offence."

## "WRONG MAN"

"I said in my opinion he should have been. I said in my opinion they had tried the wrong man for the murder of Molly Justice."

"He said to me, 'Sure I killed her — you prove it.' I never forgot the words," Kamann told the judge and jury.

The body of 15-year-old Molly Justice was found on a railway right-of-way near Swan Lake on Jan. 18, 1943, with 20 stab wounds.

## NOW DEAD

William Mitchell, a Victoria logger, was charged with the murder and acquitted at a trial during the fall assizes the same year. The court was told Thursday that Mitchell is now dead.

In March of 1968, Hubert was

convicted of perjury during the 1943 preliminary hearing into the charge against Mitchell, and was convicted and sentenced to five years by Judge M. L. T. Drake.

The conviction was appealed by defence counsel Jack Gatehouse on the grounds that Judge Drake had misdirected the County Court jury on a matter of corroboration and, in July, the British Columbia Court of Appeal ordered a new trial.

## FIFTH DAY

It goes into its fifth day today.

Crown counsel Wallace Anderson contented himself Thursday with a review of the evidence. He asserted that the prosecution had made a strong case that Hubert had, knowingly and under oath, perjured himself when he told the preliminary hearing that Mitchell had admitted to him that he (Mitchell) had killed Molly Justice.

Mr. Gatehouse dwelt at greater length on the testimony. There was no concrete evidence, he said, that witnesses had been properly sworn at a hearing 26 years ago, and there was the important matter of witnesses' recollection of events which happened that long ago.

## MEANT AS JOKE?

The remark that the accused was alleged to have made to Mr. Kamann, Mr. Gatehouse maintained, could easily have been made jokingly.

He also said that it should not be forgotten that Mr. Kamann had admitted that he did not like Hubert.

## Skaters Ignore Warning

Young Saanich skaters find frozen Elk Lake enticing spot but police warn it is dangerous, especially near middle. Ice at edge is reported to be five inches thick, but there are many cracks. Skaters are advised to stay near shore where they could be rescued if ice gave way. —(Robin Clarke)

## Family of 14 Cold, Cheerless

## Tots Huddle in Baby Crib

By NANCY BROWN

Three Victoria children slept huddled together for warmth in a baby crib Thursday night in a condemned Kings Road house

while welfare authorities pondered what to do with the shivering family.

However, volunteer social worker Jim McBurney said if something isn't done to re-

lieve the situation today he'll move the family of 14 into city hall.

The nine other children, including a week-old baby, suffered Thursday night's below-freezing temperatures in beds without enough blankets.

Three parents—the father just out of hospital—were afraid to light a faulty oil stove except to cook meals because of the danger of setting the old house on fire.

Victoria's assistant welfare administrator Gerald Sommers refused to comment on the family's situation.

"He knows about it though," said Mr. McBurney.

"I phoned him and he said he knew about the family and he might be able to do something about it today."

"He wouldn't even give the okay to move them into a hotel or motel for the night while someone figures out a solution."

Under the Welfare Act, workers have authority to move families into hotels or motels in an emergency.

"At least they'll be warm in the city hall," said Mr. McBurney.

"As for food, the only money they had Thursday was \$5 borrowed from another welfare family."

He said he is reluctant to move them into city hall.

"We don't want to make a spectacle of the family, but somehow we have to get it through to those in charge that this housing and welfare situation is desperate, because this family is typical of others."

Mr. McBurney said the

family has a welfare income of about \$320 a month.

"That's a maximum amount, because if you're on welfare you are only allowed claim for six children—any more than that you must provide for somehow yourself."

They are living in a house in the Rose-Blanchard area, which is due to be razed for a housing scheme.

Mr. McBurney said the parents only light the stove for cooking because it gives off a peculiar odor and they are afraid of fire.

## Bennett on Deficit

## Buses-Only Fast Lanes Suggested

Municipalities in Greater Victoria and Vancouver can help reduce current "substantial" deficits on transit operations by creating bus-only rapid-transit lanes on downtown streets, Premier Bennett suggested Thursday.

He made the comment at a press conference following the reading of the throne speech marking the opening of the legislature. The speech said modest increases in the use of B.C. Hydro's transportation services were experienced last year.

It added, "Although the number of passengers carried by urban transit increased slightly, this service is still operating at a substantial deficit."

Mr. Bennett said, in reply to reporters' questions, that this reference "should not be interpreted as an indication that the provincial government was going to dump transit into the laps of the municipalities either here or on the Lower Mainland."

However, the premier added, the offer to negotiate a takeover of the transit services by local governments was always open. Mr. Bennett said that wherever he had travelled, buses remained a vital link in urban transportation. He said, "with a little more co-operation" major B.C. municipalities could remove cars from a single lane on downtown streets, giving Vancouver and Victoria a form of rapid transit using existing buses.

## Not Charity, But Service

## Threads Will Co-ordinate Meals-on-Wheels Queries

The Silver Threads Service will co-ordinate all meals on wheels inquiries for an enlarged scheme to cover Victoria, Saanich, Oak Bay and Esquimalt, it was announced Thursday.

It was decided at a recent meeting of the Metropolitan Health Board to enlarge the scheme which has helped shut-ins in Saanich for some years.

In Saanich the service is municipally run, while in Oak Bay volunteer church groups are ready to give the service.

## SOCIAL SERVICE

Garth Homer, Community Welfare Council executive director, stressed that the scheme is not a charity venture or just for the elderly.

"The meals will be available to those who are incapable of shopping for, or preparing, meals and who have no-one to do this for them on a regular basis," he said.

"This does not mean that only elderly or indigent shut-ins will receive the meals, nor should anyone regard the scheme as charity, but rather as a vital social service," said Mr. Homer.

Meals will cost 50 cents each

and will be prepared in the kitchens at Goodwill Enterprises on Bay Street.

Each meal will cost Goodwill 90 cents to prepare, but only 40 cents will be paid.

Mr. Homer said Goodwill is prepared to contribute up to 75

meals a day for 40 cents to thank the people of Greater Victoria for their support.

If more meals are required and extra kitchen staff is needed, representatives of the intermunicipal committee have promised financial support.

## Stephen on Court Change

## Salaries Help Insufficient

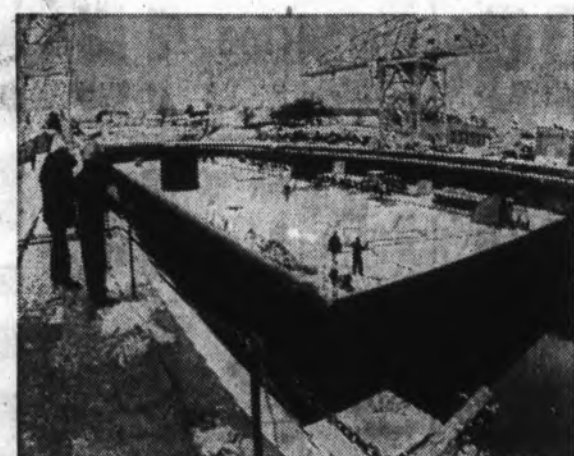
Victoria Mayor Hugh Stephen said Thursday that provincial payment of magistrates' salaries would help municipalities, "but it will not help enough."

He said payment of magistrates by the province instead of by local government would not be enough to offset the loss in revenue to the municipalities brought about by the new driving demerits system.

The mayor estimated that the demerit system would result this year in a loss of revenue to Greater Victoria municipalities of about \$185,000, coupled with an increase in court costs because more drivers were contesting charges.

Mayor Stephen said he did not anticipate the province picking up the most of magistrates' salaries would save area municipalities more than \$50,000, which would still leave a net loss in revenue of \$135,000.

"It will help," he said, "but it will not help enough. Perhaps it is unfair to link these two things, but municipalities are necessarily concerned about any loss of revenue."



Sections of giant barge are floated into position in dock.

## Canada's Largest Will Serve World

Two sections of a \$4,500,000 barge went to the torch in a mammoth welding job Thursday in Esquimalt graving dock.

The crane-derrick barge, largest to be built in Canada, will be delivered to Raymond Concrete Company of Unionville, Ont., in March for use on construction sites throughout the world.

The two sections, which were built by Burrard Dry Dock Co., are to be welded together by Yarrows Ltd. A third section, complete with a 500-ton diesel-electric crane, will arrive for welding Feb. 6.

## Goodwill Needs Help

Goodwill Enterprises is hard-pressed for donations of unwanted articles, George Gray, president-treasurer, said Thursday.

The severe weather has almost halted incoming donations,

he said, and Goodwill is entirely dependent on home pickups. Robert Dudley, Goodwill's manager and director of rehabilitation, asked the public not to hesitate to use the pickup service whenever the size or nature of donations justified it.



Bill

## Seen In Passing

Bill Mason talking on the telephone . . . (A security officer, he works at the legislative buildings and lives at 1019 Rockland Avenue with his wife, Stella. They have a son, Bill, and two grandchildren. Bill's hobby is reading historical novels.) . . . Don George Rippon planning on remodeling his kitchen . . . Margaret Martin talking to a friend . . . Chris Brathwaite babysitting . . . Reg Ash working hard on his home . . . Stephanie Joyce looking forward to her 21st birthday . . . John Browning trying to find a certain book for a birthday present . . . Don Taylor wishing they'd find a cure for the common cold.



## Sectional Spat

# Tories Lose Code Round

OTTAWA (CP) — Conservatives lost the first skirmish in the battle over the government's massive Criminal Code bill Thursday night as they were overruled on a bid to have it considered in four sections.

A motion by Eldon Woolliams (PC — Calgary North) to have the justice committee bring in four separate reports on the measure was ruled out of order by Speaker Lucien Lamoureux. Woolliams argued that separation of abortion, homosexuality and lotteries provisions from the rest of the bill would let members vote according to conscience on these matters.

## SAME END

But Mr. Lamoureux said members could achieve the same end by moving amendments on individual sections of the bill at the report stage, which under the new rules follows committee study.

Justice Minister John Turner, opening debate on second reading with an hour-long speech, argued that the bill had been tested by public opinion during

last spring's election campaign and had been given a popular mandate in the Liberal victory.

The government considered the 120-clause bill to be indivisible.

## SOCIAL REFORM

"We feel bound to the bill as the principal item of social reform in this session," he said. Woolliams indicated the opposition would have no qualms about giving the bill second reading as a package because second reading under the new rules no longer meant approval in principle.

David Lewis, NDP parliamentary leader, also said his party would do nothing to impede the bill at second-reading stage, although it might move amendments later.

## PARTIAL ONES

He said the challenges proposed were important but were also partial ones. They were "rather inadequate" and long overdue.

Lewis said the proposed change in the abortion law "will not decrease the number of illegal abortions by one. It will not have the slightest effect."

## FOR PATIENT

The NDP would propose that the abortion section be deleted from the Criminal Code altogether. Abortion was a matter for the patient and her doctor, not for lawyers and courts.

Turner in his speech said second reading, treated so far as a simple referral to committees, would be considered as general approval.

## Estate Tax Monday

OTTAWA (CP) — Finance Minister Edgar Benson, under renewed opposition fire Thursday for planned estate tax changes, told the House he hopes to introduce the long-delayed legislation Monday.

The measure, which critics say could result in family farms and businesses being lost to children because of heavier death duties they inherit from a widowed mother, was announced in Benson's budget speech three months ago.

The legislation will affect the taxation of estates left by deaths since Oct. 23, the day after the budget speech.

## PRINTING PROBLEMS

Benson said then that taxation of estates left to a wife by her husband or to a husband by her wife would cease. Tax rates will increase when children or others inherit.

The finance minister told George Hees (PC — Prince Edward-Hastings) in the Commons that he had hoped to introduce the estate tax bill today, but printing problems caused a delay.

During the Christmas recess, officials had said the bill was ready for the reopening of the House Jan. 14. Also awaited since its announcement in the Oct. 22 budget is legislation introducing new taxes on insurance companies and policy proceeds.

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## Winslow Rites Today

Funeral services will be held at 3 p.m. today for longtime Victoria resident Mrs. Margaret Thompson Winslow, of 1044 Craigflower, who died her Wednesday.

Mrs. Winslow was the widow of Francis Edward Winslow, a direct descendant of Edward Winslow who crossed the ocean on the Mayflower. Mr. Winslow managed the Royal Trust Company here until retiring in 1949. The couple came to live in Victoria in 1912.

Mrs. Winslow is survived by her son, Lt.-Col. Edward T. Winslow, Vancouver; two daughters, Miss E. Pamela Winslow, at home, and Mrs. Peter Bradford of Duncan, and six grandchildren.

Services will be held at Hayward's at 3 p.m. with Canon George Biddle officiating.

## Funeral Held In Chapel

Long-time member of the Royal Canadian Legion, W. Norman Saunders, died Tuesday in St. Joseph's Hospital after a long illness.

Mr. Saunders was secretary for Britannia Branch of the legion for many years and was a legion member for 45 years. He was born in Kent, England.

Funeral services were held Thursday from the Lady Chapel of Christ Church Cathedral with Rev. Roy Hoult officiating.



Graffey

## Tory Shadow Outspeeds Hellyer

# Major Housing Correctives Urged

OTTAWA (CP) — A report on housing commissioned by Opposition Leader Robert Sandfield Graffey, urged Conservative support for radical corrective measures, including removal of federal tax on building materials.

The report, prepared by former Quebec MP Howard Graffey and issued Thursday to Conservative MPs in advance of a government housing report expected next week, outlines problems of housing shortages

and high costs as viewed by Graffey.

Graffey shadowed the federal housing inquiry headed by Transport Minister Paul Hellyer during its autumn hearings across the country. The report and recommendations of the Hellyer inquiry are expected to be published next week.

The Conservative report laments what it says was the government inquiry's neglect of rural housing problems and failure to consult effectively with provincial authorities.

However, it approves in general of the inquiry, and adds: "IN TOGETHER"

"As Canadians, we are all in it together, and together we must hope that the expectations aroused by Mr. Hellyer's inquiry will very shortly be fulfilled by the 'radical' measures he alludes to, and not merely by a bland reapplication of yesterday's solutions."

While disavowing any attempt to set out a housing policy, the Conservative report singles out for emphasis several points made to the inquiry.

## GUARD FUNDS

It suggests federal authorities should resist any temptation to use housing funds as an aid in management of the economy, increasing the flow to encourage expansion and withholding investment to discourage inflation.

Removal of the 11-per-cent sales tax on building materials was supported almost unanimously across the country and should continue to be pressed by the Conservative party, the report says.

Use of pension funds for housing investment should help meet the need for more government funds without raising taxes, Graffey says.

## Fiscal Plans Known Soon

OTTAWA (CP) — The government's spending program for the 1969-70 fiscal year starting April 1 is expected to be tabled in the Commons early next month.

It will be a test of how stringent the government is going to be in holding its budgetary spending program to \$11,670,000,000, the figure cited by Finance Minister E. J. Benson in his budget last October.

He based his budget then on a projection of revenues for the next fiscal year totalling \$11,675,000,000 — to give the treasury a nominal surplus of \$5,000,000 — and said last week he does not plan now to introduce another budget this spring.

In his October budget, Mr. Benson levied a new two-per-cent social development tax, and announced new taxes on insurance companies and a revision of inheritance and gift

taxes. All the tax changes were expected to raise \$845,000,000 in new revenues for the 1969-70 fiscal year.

The spending estimates which are likely to be tabled in the first week or so of February probably will not be as high as \$11,670,000,000, since governments usually anticipate some additional spending beyond their original plans.

Work on drawing up the spending program normally begins in November, five or six months before the start of the fiscal year.

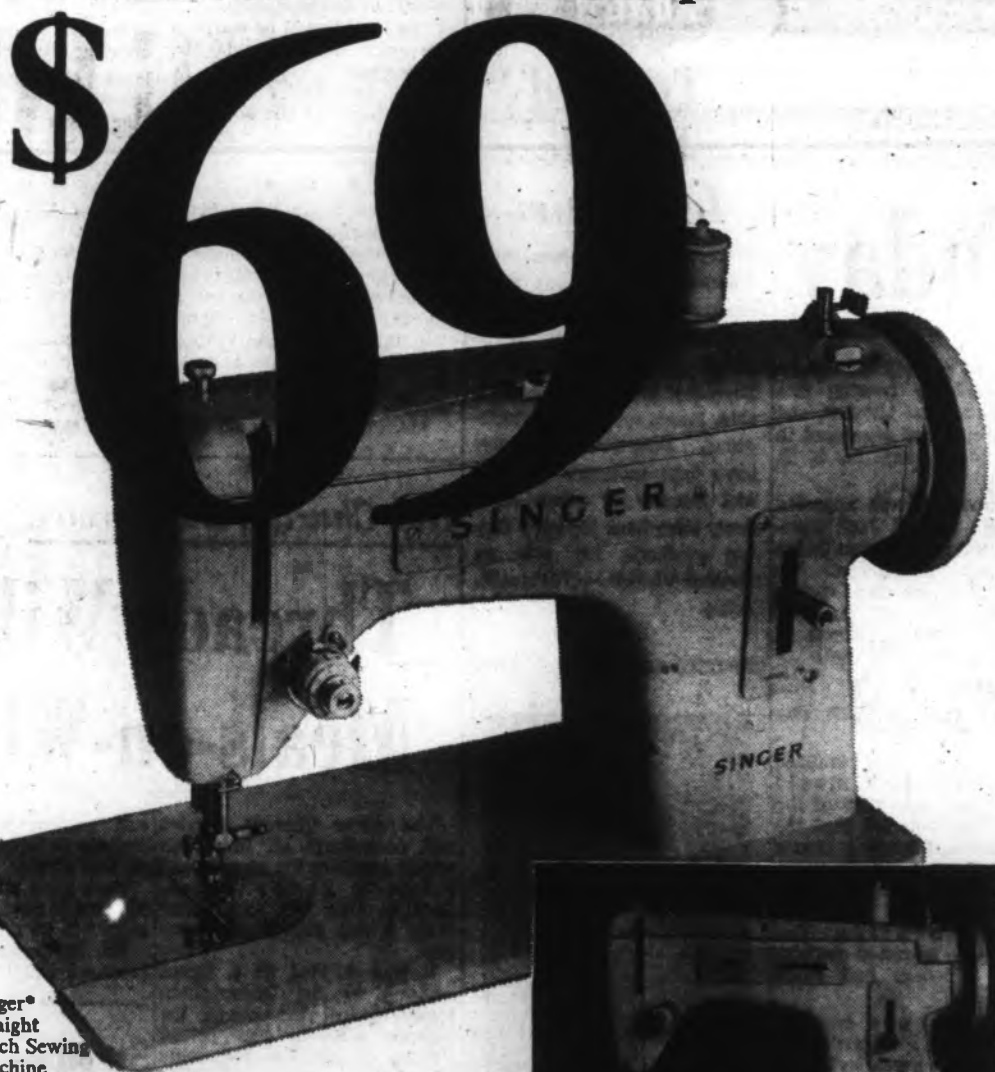
## LOWER DEFICIT

Budgetary expenditures for the current fiscal year are running to \$10,780,000,000, against revenues for the year totalling \$10,105,000,000 with the new taxes imposed in October.

This leaves the treasury with a \$675,000,000 deficit, compared with a \$792,400,000 deficit in 1967-68.

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An essential measure is to free housing from red tape "spun out by three levels of government."

The Conservative report concludes that the Canadian housing problem has three main aspects requiring different solu-

tions—shortage of homes for low-income families, scarcity of "justly-priced" homes for middle-income Canadians and the deteriorating quality of urban life in Canada.

## Health Study Includes Victorians

OTTAWA (CP) — Two Victoria hospital experts were among nine chairmen named Thursday by Health Minister John Munro to head groups that will study the cost of health services in Canada.

J. W. Mainguy, manager of the hospital consultation and inspection division of the B.C. Hospital Insurance Service, will investigate beds and facilities.

Dr. K. I. G. Benson, a bureau director with the department of health service and hospital insurance, will study public health.

The committee, established as a result of a resolution passed at the federal-provincial conference of health ministers here in November, will report to a federal provincial committee on its findings.



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## ERMA BOMBECK Gets the Picture

# Let's Speak Up on Smut

Having nothing better to do when I had flu than to hang over a waste can lined with a grocery bag, I turned to television. I should have stuck with the brown paper bag.

What in the world is happening to good taste? Are we becoming a nation of moral dropouts? On talk show after talk show I heard pseudophilosophical defenses of the nudity and crudity that is invading the theatre.

Lines like, "It is handled with sensitivity," "It's presented in an art form," "It is necessary to interpret the story," and even, "This is now, man!"

Chicken feathers! Sex and

perversion weren't invented yesterday.

They've always been around. We just never substituted them for entertainment before.

Dean Martin and his little "naughties," Rowan and Martin, who get a little more daring each week. And the real snapper was a Johnny Carson show (he was on vacation and was not the host) where a little English girl was being interviewed because she refused to play a part in a movie where she would appear nude.

If she had trained a cockroach to stand still when a light went on or played Rippi Tippi Tin on a set of tablespoons I could have applauded, but why she re-

ceived an ovation from the audience for a stand for decency eluded me.

As a parent, I'd like to put all the blame on producers, movie-makers, actors, comedians and sponsors. But I can't.

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A movie projectionist once wrote me that a little Goldie Golder Flicker (where animals talk and Fred MacMurray falls a lot) attracts only a smattering of an audience. A "right now" film has them lined up around the corner.

He said parents drop their children off when the theatre opens and have no idea what is playing. This is not true of all parents. Many are going crazy trying to keep up with

what their children are being exposed to.

The average television set runs six hours a day. It has very little moral controls. Tuned in long enough, you can hear every word in every book your mother hid in the trunk in the attic. It has possibly the strongest influence on children since the razor strap.

Are we going to delegate to the tube the task of morally educating our children? If the media feel they have no responsibility in sifting out the good from the garbage, some one has to do it.

I know I sound like the corresponding secretary of the Harper Valley PTA but I am

angered by the lack of a fight. Under a guise of "telling it like it is," someone has to bear the brunt of interpreting it and labelling what is acceptable and what is filth.

They're our kids. We feed them, clothe them, educate them and pay for their haircuts. Then why are we afraid to make a stand against smut and violence and to see vulgarity for what it is?

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 All I know is that if I see one more man on television put his hand on the knees of another one with that cute, know-it-all smile, I'm going to need another waste can and another grocery bag!

## Play's the Thing To Lady Wrestler

By PHILIP OAKES

LONDON (LST) — Critics who put the knife into Line of Least-Existence, a play by Rosalind Drexler, now running at Edinburgh's Traverse Theatre, can thank their stars that the authoress has a nice nature.

A few years back she was topping the bill across America as a lady wrestler. In those days she was called,

Rosa Carlo, the Mexican spitfire: "I was pretty good too. I had a good sense of theatre."

She took up wrestling for the money, but what she hates about the life was the monotony. "There were four girls and four men in the program. We were always on the road, like musicians. It was a pretty ugly business. I always wanted to ham it up,

but they wouldn't let me. It was all deadly serious. I found it easy enough to quit — I took care never to owe the promoters money. And I got out without any scars."

She's 42 now, a very fit lady, with a big appetite, a talented artist husband, a son and a daughter, and a bewilderingly varied reputation as a painter, sculptor, novelist, and playwright. Some of her work hangs in the Whitney Museum in New York. She's had a play banned in Boston: "It contained some of those words, and they didn't like what it said about religion." At present she's writing a science-fiction musical for Broadway, and her second novel, To Smithereens — which is all about lady wrestlers — comes out later this year.

She has also been a masseuse. Her grandfather was a Jewish cosack, and she's a second cousin of Chico Marx. Too colorful by half; but you just can't invent stuff like that.

Her work is apolitical ("the play at the Traverse is about the generation gap — the seduction of innocent youth by greedy age"), but she won't buy California grapes because she hates the way migrant workers are exploited.

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 "Actually, I'm pretty easy-going. But I have been known to lose my temper. I was at this party in New York, and there was a big guy who kept trying to stop me making a phone call. Finally, I quit asking him to go away, and picked him up by his lapels and threw him across the room. I was just about to throw him down the stairs when the host stopped me. The guy I was throwing around was a very important publisher."

What prevented further bloodshed, she thinks, was the reason she finally quit wrestling: "I found I lacked the killer instinct."

Critics can be duly grateful.

### Teachers Taught

SHERBROOKE, Que. (CP) —The provincial department of agriculture will remedy a shortage of sewing teachers by training suitable recruits from the ranks of local women's organizations. The candidates will be trained by department technicians in Sherbrooke and will be able to give sewing courses in the surrounding area.

the problem is often discovered because the child has trouble reading. The experts agree dyslexia tends to run in families and could be triggered by a difficult birth or a psychological problem early in life.

Last week it came to my attention that the boy cannot read. I was shocked. How he managed to fool everyone is beyond me. His English teacher suggested that he might have dyslexia, which she described as a disorder of the brain that can be corrected. Do you know anything about this? Does this mean my child is retarded? Can you help me? — NEWSDAY READER

Dear Reader: Children who have dyslexia are not retarded. In fact, they have normal or above average intelligence. No one is certain what causes this lag in visual and auditory development, but

### Jake's a Little Cheap

Dear Ann: I've been dating this fellow for almost a year. He is really groovy and I dig him the most, so please don't tell me to cut the connection. I couldn't do it.

The only thing wrong with Jake is he's a little bit cheap. Whenever we go with another couple, he manages to be away from the table when the check comes, or he is so slow to find his pocket that the other guy gets it.

Lately we've been doubling with my best friend a lot. Yesterday she told me her steady refuses to double with us any more because Jake is such a sponge. I am so embarrassed I could take the gas pipe. How do I tell him? — BOBBE BLUES

Dear Bobbe: In plain English, and at once, unless he understands another language better.

Dear Ann: We are up to our necks in debt. Bruce is a good person but he loves to gamble and he lies to me constantly. He'll bet on whether or not Thanksgiving falls on a Thursday. Bruce swears he paid the rent and the utility bills and then I get three dunning letters and somebody shows up in person. Last month the

power company turned off the gas and the electricity.

Twice last year Bruce went to loan companies to keep from getting his wages garnished. My father finally lent us \$600 because we were about to lose our car and furniture.

Gambling is as bad a sickness as alcoholism. Please, Ann, tell me what to do. I'm ready to pack and clear out. — NO DOOE

Dear No: Have you ever heard of Gamblers Anonymous? This organization is patterned after A.A. and has helped a great many people. The U.S. headquarters address is: P.O. Box 1173, Los Angeles, California. Write for literature and good luck to you, honey.

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## White Freed In Murder Of Negro, 18

JACKSONVILLE, Fla. (AP) — A white man who admitted firing a rifle at a Negro youth in a trouble zone after the assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. was found innocent of murder Thursday.

Two Negroes were on the six-member jury that acquitted Lee Charles Bradley, 24. The verdict on the second-degree murder charge came after 75 minutes of deliberation.

Bradley was charged with killing Rudolph Homer Hargett, 18, with a bullet between the eyes. Hargett was seated on his bicycle sipping a soda with friends when he was shot. He was home on leave from the U.S. Air Force.

**BOTTLE RAISED**  
Bradley testified during the three-day trial that he was cruising with friends in a car, through an area where stone-throwing had been reported. He said one of the Negroes raised a bottle over his head as if to throw.

The defendant said he poked his rifle barrel out the window but aimed it downward, intending to fire into the ground and scare the Negro out of throwing the bottle. He said he fired once.

Bradley said he had borrowed the rifle to protect his home and

wife during the trouble, minor compared to the riots in many United States cities during the days after the April 4 assassination in Memphis, Tenn.

All the Negroes who had been with Hargett denied that any bottle was thrown at the car before the shooting. One bottle was thrown after the shooting, according to testimony.

**PITTSBURGH**—Surgeons at Allegheny General Hospital transplanted the heart of a 13-year-old girl into a 47-year-old retired postal clerk. No details were given.

**WASHINGTON**—The Senate routinely confirmed the nomination of Charis Walker as

**PARIS**—French film star Alain Delon was held for a possible 48 hours of questioning in connection with the mysterious murder of his bodyguard Stephan Markovic, 31, last October.

**WASHINGTON**—The Senate confirmed by a vote of 73 to 16 the controversial nomination of Governor Walter Hickel of Alaska to be secretary of the interior.

**MOSCOW**—Premier Alexei Kosygin, out of public sight for more than a month and officially said to be on vacation, was reported to be suffering from a liver ailment.

**LONDON**—Elizabeth Taylor and Richard Burton kept royalty waiting at a film premiere here. They pleaded car trouble.

**WASHINGTON**—Sen. George Murphy (R-Calif.) said the vocal chord operation he underwent several years ago was the result of cancer.

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LONDON (UPI) — Judy Garland was booed off the stage Thursday night when she showed up 90 minutes late for her act at London's smart Talk O' the Town cabaret restaurant.

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Applications are being taken at the University of Victoria for 10 work-travel scholarships in Germany, subsidized by the West German government. Under the plan, 500 to 600 Canadian students work in Germany during June and July, and are free to travel in August. Cost to the student is his travel in Canada and Europe, plus \$150 toward a round-trip flight from Montreal to Frankfurt.

Applications are being received by Dr. J. B. MacLean, head of the university's department of Germanic languages and literature.

## Meeting

Friday  
 • Victoria Fishermen's Local, United Fishermen and Allied Workers Union, 106 Superior, 7:30 p.m.

It was the second time in four days the 46-year-old American singer had been late for her performance at the cabaret in the heart of London's theaterland.

Monday she kept patrons waiting 50 minutes and they forgave her. But Thursday night — or more precisely half an hour after midnight — she was 90 minutes late and the sellout audience reacted bitterly.

Miss Garland, looking young and chic in dark blue tuxedo pants and a white blouse, tried to sing Over the Rainbow, but was stopped by catcalls.

She managed to get through a second song, despite scattered booing and amid objects thrown on the stage by angry patrons who had been singing Why Are We Waiting, after

she failed to show on schedule at 11 p.m.

As she started a third number, the furor mounted. After a vain appeal for courtesy, which was countered by a patron's retort that she ought to show courtesy to her audience, Miss Garland laid down the microphone and walked off.

A spokesman for the management said he had no idea why Miss Garland was late. "She did not get a very good reception," he said. Miss Garland refused to talk to reporters.

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## State Ball Proves Swinging Affair



A pause in dancing at Thursday night's State Ball at Government House brought Prince Nicholas Abkhazi, Princess Abkhazi, Mrs. Banks and Dr. Peter

Banks, Mrs. Drake and Judge M. L. T. Drake together. Calypso music made it a swinging affair for 600 guests.—(Jim Ryan)



Minister Without Portfolio Isabel Dawson, right, greets mainland guests at her pre-ball party Thursday, including Magistrate C. Mittelstaedt of Se-

chart, left; Akl. David Cummings of Powell River and Akl. Jo Dean of West Vancouver.—(Robin Clarke)

## 'Lady Minister' Entertains

### Vehicles Exceed Canada Average

The increase of registered vehicles in the province continues to exceed the national average, and the trend is expected to continue, according to the annual report of the Motor Vehicles Branch for the year ending Feb. 28, 1968.

Traffic fatalities reached a new high of 559 in 1967, an increase of 7.5 per cent over 1966, continued the report.

No simple solution had been discovered to the highway accident problem, although the branch was continuing its efforts to make drivers more aware of their responsibilities as highway users.

#### LEISURE INDICATOR

Trailer registrations, principally for camping and boats were up 9,924 over the previous year. The total of 91,627, said the report, showed that B.C. residents continued to enjoy and spend their leisure hours out of doors.

Revenue from licences, permits, services and sales tax increased 5.5 per cent to \$31,082,561, of which \$3,785,307 was received in the Victoria branch.

#### 86 OVER 90 YEARS

There were 1,001,574 licensed B.C. drivers, an increase of 7.5 per cent, of which 63.9 per cent — 639,782 — were males and 361,792 were females.

The majority of drivers (15 per cent) were in the 25 to 30 age group, while 86 B.C. drivers were over the age of 90.

The report noted a sizable increase in speeding convictions, attributable to a stepped-up program of traffic surveillance.

#### MOTORCYCLES INCREASE

There was a 14.94-per-cent increase in the number of motorcycle licences issued, to a total of 17,229 out of a total of 865,217. There were 702,003 licences for passenger vehicles and 163,214 for commercial vehicles.

Of 85,844 applicants for original drivers' licences, 73,010 were successful, an increase of 11.1 per cent over the previous year. Of these, 43,964 were adults and 29,046 were under 21.

Of these, 419 men and 26 women were given unrestricted licences and the remainder had one or more restrictions.

### Regional Concepts Widely Accepted As Benefits Grow

Public acceptance of regional government is growing and the role of the districts is expanding, according to the Department of Municipal Affairs' annual report for 1968.

With all of B.C. now organized into 28 regional districts, the public is coming to realize what regional government can do, says the report handed down in the legislature Thursday.

Most common roles for regional government currently are in planning and local works and services.

(The Capital Region District now is in charge of building trunk sewers, controlling fire works and administering the Family and Children's Court. It will soon take over hospitals.)

#### MORE AWARE

"As the people have become more aware of the advantages and services that may be obtained through a regional district, there has been a demand to expand and broaden the scope of the powers of the administration to include functionally the provisions of such services as sewer and water and to provide for pest control and pollution control on a regional basis," says J. E. Brown, deputy minister of municipal affairs.

J. D. Baird, assistant deputy

and Mrs. Dawson's Mackenzie Riding. Mayors and aldermen from Powell River, Sechart, West Vancouver and Gibsons attended the gathering.

Mrs. Dawson was elected in September, 1966, and took of-

fice in January, 1967. One of three "lady ministers," she works with the minister of social welfare.

"Most of my work is with elderly citizens and people in correctional institutions," she said. "I love it. We often work 12 hours a day, but I wouldn't miss it."

"Women should definitely have a voice in government," Mrs. Dawson said. "We're half the population, and our interests are at stake, too. We have a different point of view than the men do."

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### Bandit Robs Store

DUNCAN—An armed, masked bandit escaped with \$31 from a produce store Wednesday night. A man walked into Columbia Produce Grocery Store, Trunk Road and Brae, at about midnight and brandished a revolver as he demanded money.

The owners are Mr. and Mrs. Wong Poy, who have operated the store for almost three years.

Mr. Poy said the holdup lasted only a few minutes and took place as he was about the store.

Mr. Poy said the bandit walked towards Brae Road,

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## Garden Notes

## Seeds Miracles

By M. V. CHESNUT

One intriguing part of my job is the annual search for new and interesting seeds to be distributed each spring to our readers. This involves not only considerable correspondence with plant breeders and hybridizers in many parts of the world, but whenever possible I try to get around and talk to a few leading seedsmen in the U.S. and Canada.

A couple of years ago, on one of these visits, I was surprised to find a couple of giant humidifiers going full blast in the seed storage warehouse, belching great clouds of steam into the air. An attendant was tapping the dial of an instrument on the wall and reported anxiously to my host that he was having some trouble in keeping the relative humidity up to 60 per cent.

"Why all the fuss about humidity," I asked. "Does dry air hurt the seeds?" "Yes, some of them lose their power to germinate if allowed to dry out too much," he explained. "But that isn't all. They lose weight, too, if stored under too dry conditions."

He went on to point out that a half-pound packet of peas, say, could lose as much as half an ounce of weight at 30

per cent humidity, and the sale of such a short-weight packet could lead to a substantial fine under the Canada Weights and Measures Act, like the short-weight popples so hotly debated on Parliament Hill last summer.

When we browse through the seed racks in the garden centres, making our selection from the thousands of gaily colored packets, few of us give any thought to the work which has gone into the breeding, growing and preparation of the seeds. But anyone who has ever cleaned, dried and packaged even a small quantity of home-gathered seed must realize the care and infinite attention to detail necessary.

We take it for granted that the seeds we buy will come up and grow, providing we give them the simple culture required. Different kinds of seeds, of course, demand different kinds of soil, different germinating temperatures and different depths of planting, and it is only common sense to find out these details before sowing.

We take it for granted, too, the natural miracle of the seed itself—something which should fill us with wonder and awe if we only stop to consider.

This seed will become a tiny blade of grass; this one, hardly any bigger, will grow into a giant forest tree, and this one an incredibly beautiful flower. Of three look-alike seeds that sit on my desk as I write, one will produce a nutritious vegetable, another a deadly poison and the third a healing medicine.

Even nature's varied methods for seed dispersal are wonderful—for seeds must always emigrate and seek new lands to colonize.

Some, like dandelions and milkweed, are airborne paratroopers; some—the maples and sycamores—have a helicopter-like mode of travel. Burrs and Devil's Pitchforks are hitch-hikers, making their way to new ground by clinging to the cuffs of our trousers and to the coats of animals.

The seeds of gorse and broom and impatiens blast off like buckshot from the bursting seed pod. The seeds of our barbed struts travel as passengers within the bodies of birds, while the greatest wanderer of all—the enormous seed of the coconut palm—will journey for a thousand miles or more on the ocean's currents to colonize a distant tropical island.

## STAN DELAPLANE Totally Bewildered

## Money's a Puzzlement

The doorbell rang at an early hour, and when I hurried down barefoot and opened the door a blast of freezing air blew in. There was a boy and girl, about five and six. Bundled up against the cold like orphans of the storm.

"Would you like to buy a guinea pig?" he asked. "I wouldn't have any place to keep it," I said. I tried to shut the door, but he cleverly got his foot in. Some salesman.

"We're selling guinea pigs," said the girl. "For \$1.50." "Come back later," I said. "They might be all gone then," said the boy.

Well, maybe it was a good proposition—though a terrible hour. There is not much you can buy these days for \$1.50.

The idea now is to get your dollars into something before the dollar fades more in value. The guinea pig you buy today for a buck and a half, you'll have to pay \$1.75 by the end of the year.

"I'll take a chance on later," I said. "Hand me the morning paper, and let me shut the door."

The front page said: "Loan Costs Hit All-Time High." See?

It is very hard for anybody but a banker to understand money nowadays. I put money in the bank. I borrow money. The money I put in comes out worth less a year later. The money I borrow costs more.

"The idea of its costing more the reason the banks raise the interest—is to keep you from borrowing and spending and thus making your dollar go down in value," said a stock market bloke I know. "It's the borrowing causes inflation."

He then advised me to borrow some money and buy stocks.

What kind of world are we living in, mates? Real estate men advised me to buy land. "It secures your dollar value," the tax expert advised me to borrow more

money. "The interest is deductible."

A friend of mine at lunch said: "Buy diamonds."

"What would I do with diamonds?" I asked. "Write my name on windows?"

The banker wrote me a letter: "Now is the time to start a Christmas Savings Fund."

"Money makes the mare go," grandma used to say. The dollar in those days was a solid piece of silver. It bought so many crackers from the cracker barrel, and did it year after year.

I can't remember when inflation began, when the dollar bought fewer crackers, and the five-cent candy bar began to shrink. But now it is the usual thing to read, "What you paid \$10 for five years ago, costs you \$12.75 today."

"Price levels will continue to advance 3 to 3½ per cent," says the morning journal.

That's not bad says the man who did the forecast.

"No recession is in prospect."

The boy and girl came back, and he said: "You could keep the guinea pig in a cage."

I said: "I don't have a cage."

I thought he would say, "Borrow the money and buy a cage." But he said: "Mike next door has a cage with nothing in it. You could borrow that."

He had not only cased the neighborhood. I think he'd been reading the financial pages too.

I said craftily: "Why don't you go see Mike's mother and sell her the guinea pig?"

He said: "Because Mike already has a dog." (He was a mile ahead of me.)

I wonder if a guinea pig is tax deductible. Anything we buy these booming days must be tax deductible! Else our tax man gives me sad and sorrowful looks.

But if I borrow money, he is overjoyed. And the more he explains why, the less I understand.

## The Little World of SHEILAH GRAHAM

## Hayley Strips Image

HOLLYWOOD (NANA) — Hayley Mills, such a sweet little thing she was in those Disney pictures, will startle her fans with her most nude scene in her next, *Twisted Nerve*. "Now at last," she told me while I brushed through some of the footage in her London studio, "people, maybe, will stop comparing me to Shirley Temple." Her 50-odd-year-old something fiancé, Roy Boulting, who directed the film says Hayley is "the sexiest actress alive—and this has nothing to do with the fact that we will be getting married soon."

Mediocre ratings for his television show have Jerry Lewis dusting off some movie scripts, and there is also talk of Jerry starring in a Broadway show. It will take the same kind of courage that drew Milton Berle from the comfort and luxury of his life in Beverly Hills to the draughty boards of Broadway and the criticism of the reviewers. *Mitie* may try again, by the way. *Marlon Brando* never went back, although when he came to Hollywood 20 years ago it was written into his contract that he could return to the theatre when and as he pleased. Why didn't he?

Julie Andrews and her director-fiance Blake Edwards return to Hollywood from Switzerland today. Blake is the

director of Julie's current film, *Darling Lili*, which has gone on and on and is still going on. There will be several more weeks of filming in Dublin, believe it or not. Latest price tag of the picture is \$22,000,000. Paramount, which is producing, is peeved—which is about the understatement of the century. All will be forgiven, however, if the picture is a smash hit. It will have to be to get the money back.

Ross Hunter will never, he told me, see *The Killing* of Sister George: "I don't like to see lesbians in person," said Ross, who dates Nancy Sinatra, Sr., "so why would I want to see them on the screen?"

The British reviewers, after seeing *Funny Girl*, dubbed *Barbra Streisand*, Superstar. Perhaps *Barbra*, the ugly duckling from Brooklyn, will succeed in the almost impossible task of bringing glamour back to Hollywood. I was amused at some of the interviews she gave over there, about how she loved everyone while making the film and how everyone loved her. With an Oscar within finger-tip reach, you can bet that *Barbra* will break her back to say the right things to the right reporters at every available opportunity.

## Ideas Are Plentiful

SYDNEY HARRIS

Even though I have been asked it for more than 20 years, it never fails to surprise me that people should want to know "how do you come up with a different idea to write about every day?"

This is almost invariably the first question strangers ask when they meet me, and I have never found an adequate reply that would not seem like a rebuke or a preening of self-satisfaction.

The plain fact of the matter is that the world is teeming with ideas, and never more so than today. There are on my desk dozens of clippings and notations, all of them positively screaming to be written about.

The real problem is how to deal with them adequately, and how to encompass them intelligently within a few hundred words.

Almost everything we have grown used to in the world requires re-examination and revaluation today. Theology is changing almost daily; psychology is lifting itself by its own bootstraps; political economy would confound both

Marx and the classical economists; education is experiencing a revolution.

There is not a single area or discipline of human endeavor that is not being questioned, changed, expanded, reshaped, analyzed, and being extrapolated upon.

No one has to "think of" ideas; they bombard us constantly, at such a rate and

volume that the real task is to sort out the significant ones from the transient ones.

Modern life is full of fads and fancies, all the weird and exotic ephemera of a rich, insecure, bored, hysterical and anxious society.

To separate these passing sensations from the new concepts that are relevant for the present and prophetic for the

future is a far harder job than to grind out a column every day on a different subject.

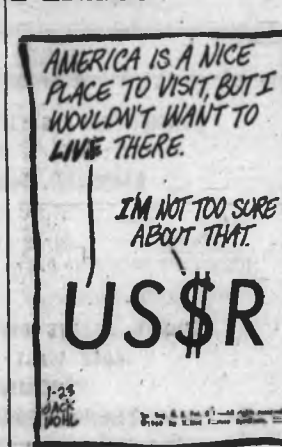
It is distressingly easy to become captivated by the colorful, the novel, the trivial, the vulgarly assertive, the epiphenomena of our modern malaise.

St. Thomas defined intelligence as mainly "the art of separating and combining." He meant it consists in separating different elements that seem similar, and in combining similar elements that seem different.

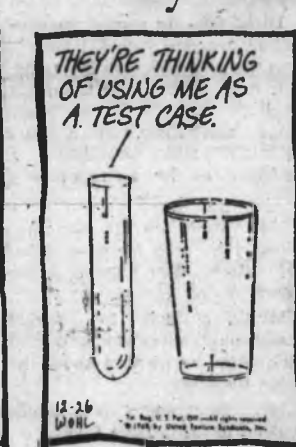
Anybody, for instance, can harangue indignantly about "law and order"; but it is merely sound and fury unless the writer knows how these two words differ, and how they must be combined—with the glue of justice.

What should confound a journalist today is that there is too much to write about, and too little time and space in which to write it. The temptation toward over-simplifying is enormous, but it must be resisted as never before, in this complex and contradictory world of ours.

## PIXIES



## By Wohl





# Rescuer Wonders About Future Visits

HONG KONG — Apprehension about entering a Chinese port again was expressed Thursday by a young Japanese sea captain who saved a Nanaimo yachting couple from capture by a Chinese junk.

"But I would do the same again if I had to," he said.

Yukimitsu Yamaguchi, 34,

of Hiroshima first became involved with the yacht on Monday when he mistook it for a Hong Kong pilot boat. But as he drew closer Yamaguchi realized it was a pleasure craft being chased by a Chinese junk.

"I hadn't the faintest idea who was aboard the junk or the yacht, but I knew the yacht was in serious trouble and I had to save those people," Yamaguchi told The Associated Press Thursday.

through his radio operator-interpreter, Katsutake Ishimaru of Matsuyama.

Yamaguchi said the scene of the sea chase was about 12 miles southeast of Hong Kong's outlying Waglan Island. A Hong Kong marine department spokesman said that would be in Chinese waters. A more easterly position would have been in international waters.

Yamaguchi, who has sailed into Chinese ports before, said he made a full report on Monday's incident to the Japanese consulate in Hong Kong and asked his government's representatives here to "make everything smooth so there will be no problems in the future if I ever sail to China again."

When the Shonan Maru reached within 300 yards of the yacht belonging to 54-year-old Arne Larsen and his wife Evelyn, Capt. Yamaguchi saw Mrs. Larsen waving frantically for help, while her husband was sailing his vessel back and forth and in circles to escape the Chinese junk.

Yamaguchi said he passed the scene and then turned about and sailed his ship between the yacht and the junk.

The junk scurried away in the direction of China and the yacht sailed on to Hong Kong.

"If it had not been for that Japanese captain, we could be in Communist China now," Larsen said earlier this week after he arrived in Hong Kong.

"I don't know if they ever would have let us go."

What Yamaguchi did not know was that Monday's incident was the Larsen's second encounter with the Chinese. The couple's yacht lost its mast in a typhoon and drifted into Chinese waters on Jan. 9, when the Chinese first captured them, and held them for 11 days before freeing them on Jan. 20.

As they sailed toward Hong Kong on the day of their release another group of Chinese went after the Larsens when the Canadians were virtually in sight of freedom.

## 'Area for Park Needs Defining'

TOFINO — Although Tofino residents welcomed the news in Thursday's throne speech that there would be legislation this year to facilitate a marine park at Long Beach, some felt that the proposed park area should be defined.

Jack Bruce, operator of a schooner restaurant said: "I certainly think it would be a logical step to create park in this area."

He had been trying to find out just what the boundaries would be, and the cost, "but it is all very vague."

He felt the next step would be for someone to define the park area and then the cost and feasibility could be considered.

Denis Singleton, a member of Tofino Chamber of Commerce, and operator of Maquima Hotel, said many private property owners had been concerned about their property, and values.

However when Northern Development Minister Jean Chretien visited the area recently, they had been assured they wouldn't suffer, he said.

When Mr. Chretien went to Tofino, M.P. Richard Durand explained that plans had to be nebulous to prevent land speculation.

The Queen of the Islands will be used to provide more passenger and automobile capacity this summer on the Comox to Powell River run. The Comox Queen, the throne speech indicated Thursday, is likely to be used on the Jervis Inlet crossing.

## Run Ready

NANAIMO — The Nanaimo to Vancouver Pacific Hovercraft runs are ready to start as soon as terminal facility arrangements are completed.

Byng Heene, an official of the company, told Nanaimo Jaycees Thursday night that the company was building two 60 by 80 foot steel barges for the Nanaimo and Vancouver terminals on which the craft would land.

He said the \$422,000, 151,000 horsepower craft was aiming for an annual passenger list of 52,000 people from the 4,700,000 who travel annually between Vancouver and the Island.

"We must obtain 53.3 per cent occupancy to break even," said Mr. Heene.

## With Police Support

## Esquimalt Teens Organize

The Saanich SPOTs will be followed by the Esquimalt POETs as four Esquimalt police

constables move to form a teen organization in the municipal

Constables Frank Mitchell, Alan Aikew, Maurice Hall and Gordon Jenkins responded to a 100-name petition from junior and senior high school students who wanted police support for a youth organization.

Two junior high school students, Linda Carter and Madeleine Rogers, circulated and presented the petition.

Membership will be open to young people between 15 and 18 regardless of whether or not they are in school.

The Esquimalt POETs (Police Organization of Esquimalt Teens) will bring to three the number of such youth groups in the district.

The first was formed a year ago by the Saanich police department, which arranges dances and other events supervised by off-duty policemen. An Oak Bay group was organized recently.

Constable Mitchell said Esquimalt meetings would be held away from schools but the school authorities would probably be used for dances because of the low rentals.

## Home Nursing

## Volunteers Eager To Learn Skills

Ten volunteers registered Thursday night for the first session of a home nursing course at Rest Haven Hospital.

Audrey Jackson, director of nursing at Rest Haven and course co-ordinator, discussed the role of home nursing.

"Many illnesses are not serious enough to warrant hospitalization, and frequently not enough beds are available for all the patients who need them," she said.

"Very old and very young patients often respond far better to treatment at home than to hospitalization," she said.

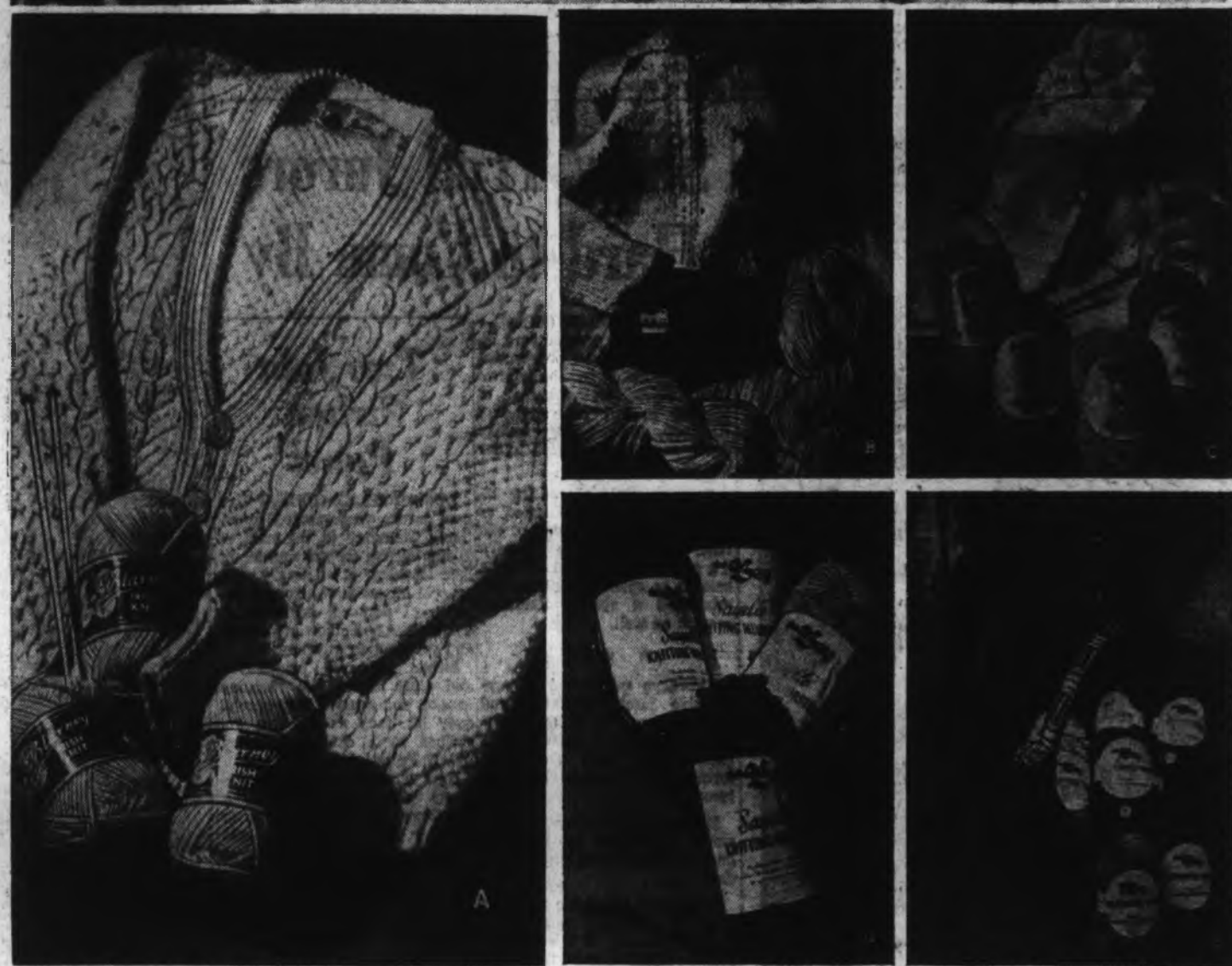
Trained volunteers can register with the Home Nursing Service, their local public health nurses and doctors if they wish to help with patients, Miss Jackson said.

The course will deal with illness in the home, prevention of disease, child care and long-term illnesses.

Volunteers will learn to apply simple nursing procedures such as helping patients to walk, making and changing beds and administering medicine.

Another part of the course will deal with care under emergency conditions, and emergency delivery of babies.

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# No Proof to Clear Ray, Says Negro After Offer

ATLANTA (UPI)—Rev. Ralph Abernathy said Thursday he "supports" one of his aides, Rev. James Bevel, in his offer to defend James Earl Ray in the assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King.

However, an SCLC aide said, neither Abernathy nor Bevel claims to have specific evidence or knowledge that would clear Ray of murder charges in the case.

The aide, Thomas Offenberger, also said Bevel feels he has been misquoted about evidence to clear Ray since he made his offer to defend him in a telegram last Saturday.

"Bevel told us this morning that his statement made no mention of evidence, or anything about who pulled the trigger," Offenberger said. "Bevel feels he has been misquoted."

Offenberger said Abernathy "supports this attempt" by Bevel to clear Ray.

"I have absolute confidence in his judgment and integrity," Abernathy said of Bevel, the Southern Christian Leadership Conference leader who offered to defend Ray.

"If a conspiracy exists, and I believe it does, it must be fully exposed," Abernathy said. "I call upon America's oppressed

and victimized to come to the aid and defence of the accused man."

Abernathy made the statement in a telegram released by the SCLC offices here. The president of the civil rights group was resting on vacation in the Virgin Islands.

Bevel, longtime staffer under King and Abernathy, is director of non-violent education and direct action for SCLC, and currently works in the SCLC's Philadelphia office. In a telegram to Ray last Saturday, Bevel offered to defend him and said, "I know you are not guilty."

Ray's attorney, Percy Fore-

man of Houston, has not commented on Bevel's offer of help. Neither Foreman, who is in Memphis, Tenn., nor Bevel, was available for comment Thursday.

Bevel's offer of aid and his conviction that Ray is innocent of the April 4, 1968, sniper-slaying in Memphis, had caught Abernathy and the SCLC staff by complete surprise, a source said.

The quiet-spoken Bevel had not mentioned the case, nor said he was investigating the murder or had proof of a conspiracy, to any SCLC leaders, including Abernathy, the source said.



## Standing Firm

Marsha Thompson, 19-year-old Des Moines, Iowa, legislative secretary from Sioux Falls, S.D., has received more than dozen letters from across U.S. both praising and condemning her for refusing to bend to her supervisor's suggestion that she avoid wearing miniskirts for her own protection. —(AP)

## Chess Lead Tussles Run Neck and Neck

By RAY KERR

Alan Lane and Edward Seedhouse, who seemed to battle for the city chess championship the way Boston and Montreal are fighting for the NHL lead, are making things interesting in the Victoria title event again.

Two years ago they tied for the title and, after being unable to reach a decision in a special playoff, settled to share the honors.

Last year they deadlocked in "regulation time" again, with Seedhouse winning another special playoff and the championship.

**EXCITING GAME**  
This year it may be Lane's turn.

The two met in the second round of the city final, with Lane winning an exciting game and surging to the front. He and Archibald Higgs lead the 10-player double round-robin with three points from three rounds.

Recent results and latest standings:

**CHAMPIONSHIP GROUP**  
Round two — Higgs defeated Frank Hase; Otto Schumacher def. Richard Dawson; Lane def. Seedhouse; James Hobson def. Reginald Bennett; Daniel Scoones had bye.  
Round three — Scoones def. Bennett; Seedhouse def. Hase; Lane def. Dawson; Higgs def. Schumacher; Hase had bye.  
Standings — Higgs, Lane, three points; Scoones, Seedhouse, two each; Hobson, Schumacher, one each; Bennett, Dawson, none.

**B GROUP**  
Round two — August Stroyk defeated Jim Peaker; Charles Daisel def. Peter Grodzinski; Fred Jacobs def. Ray Vickery; Alfred Sheard def. Cliff Woodcock; Gerald Humphries def. Brooke Stephenson; Virgil Jara def. Kenneth Hobson; John Reams def. George Glover; Michael Martin def. A. J. Burns.  
Round three — Martin def. Stroyk; Reams def. Burns; Glover def. Hobson.

## Federalists Discuss UN, Peace

Most of those attending a World Federalist workshop Wednesday agreed a permanent staff and planning organization should be the first step in creating a permanent UN peace force.

The organization met at Bank Street school to discuss proposals for improving the effectiveness of the United Nations, made by Lester Pearson in London last month. The workshop broke up into three groups to discuss the proposals.

Nora def. Stephenson; Jacobs def. Sheard; Peaker def. Daisel; Grodzinski and Vickery drew; Woodcock vs. Humphries adjourned.  
Standings (three rounds) — Jacobs, Martin, three points; Hase, Reams, two each; Humphries, Sheard, Stroyk, two; Grodzinski, 1½; Glover, Peaker, Woodcock one; Vickery half a point; Daisel, Stephenson, Hobson, Burns, none.

## Shaw Trial Jurors Hard to Come By

NEW ORLEANS (UPI) — Defence and prosecution attorneys ran out of prospective jurors Thursday for the trial of Clay Shaw on charges of plotting to kill President Kennedy, and the judge had to draft some more from other courts.

Even so, only six of the 12-member panel were seated at the end of the third day of the trial. District Judge Edward Haggerty extended Friday's session to speed things up and scheduled a special Saturday session as well.

Attorneys questioned 51 prospective jurors Thursday and selected two, all in the afternoon. Most were excused because they said they had formed opinions about the issues.

Haggerty said he hoped a jury would be seated by Saturday and testimony could begin Monday.

In a quick 33-minute morning session, attorneys questioned, then dismissed, 18 prospective jurors. Thirteen said they had an opinion in the case, two said their employers would not pay them during the trial, two said they could not leave their children and one was dismissed because he was not a U.S. citizen.

"Eighteen in 26 minutes!" said Judge Haggerty when the last of the 18 stepped down from the red leather witness chair. "I thought they would last longer than that."

Before the trial began three days ago Haggerty turned down defence motions to move the trial out of New Orleans on grounds that not enough jurors could be found in the city to try Shaw fairly.

Shaw, a blue-eyed businessman, was charged almost two years ago by District Attorney Jim Garrison for allegedly conspiring with Lee Harvey Ferrie, 49, to murder Kennedy.

## Two Join Sirhan Panel

LOS ANGELES (UPI) — Two new jurors were seated tentatively Thursday in the trial of Sirhan Sirhan for the murder of Sen. Robert Kennedy but several others were excused because of personal hardship or unspecified objections of defense and prosecution attorneys.

Sirhan appeared bright-eyed and alert during the morning session and a broad grin spread over his face as he was described by a defense attorney as "a Palestinian Arab."

New jurors accepted tentatively were Ronald Evans, a telephone company equipment installer from Inglewood, and Mary Lou Busby, a bright-eyed Downey high school mathematics teacher who lives in Highland Park. Her husband is a history teacher at Glendale high school.

## Violence Shakes Italy, Islands

ROME (AP) — Fresh labor and student violence ripped through Italy and the islands of Sicily and Sardinia. Thousands walked off their jobs to join aggressive street demonstrations.

The strikes virtually paralysed Sardinia's business life, stopped Rome's and part of Naples' transit system and halted work throughout most of Sicily and in the port city of Trieste.

## Students Vote Boycott End

MONCTON, N.B. (CP) — University of Moncton students have voted "strongly in favor" of ending a boycott of classes, Oswald and airline pilot David conspiring with Lee Harvey Ferrie, 49, to murder Kennedy.

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## 'Changes Obvious'

# Opposition Rips Probe

Speech  
From  
Throne

# Rights, Liquor Look Head B.C. Job List

● Annual reports, other throne speech stories, Page 15.

Leaders of both the New Democratic Party and the Liberals in the legislature Thursday attacked the government for appointing a royal commission inquiry into B.C. drinking habits instead of passing new liquor laws this session.

## Speech At Glance

● Royal commission will probe B.C. drinking habits. (See Page 15.)

● A provincial Human Rights Act will extend its principles into new and more challenging areas.

● Merger of B.C. Supreme and County Courts, with raised status for Magistrate's Courts and the provincial government paying the salaries of magistrates at an estimated saving of some \$750,000 a year for municipalities. (See Page 15.)

● New consumer protection legislation.

● Establishment of a Law Reform Commission promised by the government last fall.

● Legislation will facilitate development of a national park at Long Beach on the west coast of Vancouver Island. (See Page 18.)

● The government will stress education and health services at the coming session. Educational programs at all levels will be improved and expanded.

● The Western royal commission report on automobile insurance in B.C. will be placed before the legislature forthwith, with a good chance that its recommendations will be referred to a committee for study.

● Legislation requiring mining companies, including those engaged in open pit mining, to meet satisfactory aesthetic and environmental standards, will be introduced and may be subject of public hearings before a legislative committee.

● A division of special education will be established to help solve the problems of educationally handicapped children throughout the province.

● The government will continue to "pursue vigorously" its attack on pollution on land, water and in the air. Legislation will assure appropriate observance of the 100th anniversary of B.C.'s entry into Confederation in 1971.

● Programs to establish community boarding homes for the mentally retarded and psychiatrically disabled will be expanded in keeping with decentralization of mental health services.

● The total number of public housing units in the province will be doubled in the next two years. (The speech contained no reference to new aid for private homeowners which the government has promised this session.)

● Plans are also "well advanced" for extension of natural gas service to Vancouver Island by way of an underwater pipeline from the mainland. (See Page 18.)

● The speech makes reference to the 50th anniversary of the Civil Service Commission and praises the quality of the civil service but gives no hint of meeting requests for collective bargaining rights.

"Setting up a royal commission is the last refuge of a government that doesn't know what to do and doesn't want to do anything," said Opposition Leader Robert Strachan.

"In B.C. we have never been so bedevilled by royal commissions as we are today. B.C. has been in the liquor business for the past 40 years and nobody knows more about liquor than government agencies and this government."

Liberal leader Patrick McGeer said he believed it would have been much better just to go ahead and change the drinking laws. He added, "The changes required are more or less obvious."

Mr. Strachan launched a bitter attack on the contents of the throne speech. He said it was the first time in recent years that he had not received a copy of the speech in advance of delivery. But having read it, he added, it was easy to see why. The NDP leader suggested the premier was ashamed.

"My initial reaction is one of shocked disbelief," said Mr.

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## Courts Face Reform

By IAN STREET  
Legislative Reporter

A royal commission to probe B.C. drinking habits and new legislation to protect human rights in the province highlight the Speech from the Throne read by Lieutenant-Governor John Nicholson at the opening of the legislature Thursday.

Premier Bennett told a press conference the royal commission, to be appointed by the cabinet shortly, would provide a "thorough look-see into the whole liquor situation in the province."

He said it wasn't a delaying action in the face of mounting public demand for a change in B.C. liquor laws, and indicated some changes which the commission might recommend in an interim report could result in changes in regulations within "a couple of months."

Promises of a new provincial Human Rights Act, consolidating existing laws in this field and moving into "new and more challenging areas," raised the possibility of a new confrontation with Ottawa which has proposed a new Bill of Rights to be enshrined in Canada's constitution.

In the B.C. brief intended for delivery at the postponed federal-provincial constitutional conference last December, Mr. Bennett said: "This federal proposal for a new bill of rights appears to conflict with the plea for unity in diversity, which has such importance in parts of Canada, and more-over to place these rights beyond the reach of the parliamentary institutions of the country by entrenchment is to argue for more rigidity rather than less in the constitutional arrangements by which Canadians govern themselves."

Attorney-General Leslie Peterson, who will be the first major government speaker of this session, will explain the government position on a new B.C. human rights bill in the legislature next Tuesday afternoon, the premier said.

During the attorney-general's opening speech, Mr. Bennett added, the House will also be given an explanation of proposals to reform B.C. courts and to establish a B.C. Law Reform Commission, first promised last fall.

The throne speech said the legislature would be asked to consider "certain major improvements in administration of justice in British Columbia."

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## State of Emergency

# Caracas Slum Overrun By Guerrillas

CARACAS (UPI) — Uniformed Venezuela communist "urban guerrillas" took control of the Silsa slum district of Caracas Thursday night and battled a huge force of police and security units. The city was declared under a "state of local emergency."

The police report said reinforcements from the municipal police, political police and other security agencies encircled the slum district, part of the industrial "Casita" sector of western Caracas, about 7 p.m. Heavy sniper fire was reported.

The state of emergency was declared and reinforcements dispatched after the communist terrorists machinegunned a police car in Silsa, wounding all four occupants. Police began raiding homes and apartments in pursuit of the guerrillas and later reported the neighborhood had been "taken" by them.

## GUERRILLA CHIEFTAN

It was the second attack on Caracas police by so-called "urban guerrillas" Thursday. Police said members of the "Armed Front of National Liberation," a pro-Castro group headed by Venezuelan communist guerrilla chief Douglas Bravo, opened fire earlier on a group of policemen in the Caracas slum district of El Guatardo.

## Explosives, Chemicals In Wreckage

HARRISBURG, Pa. (UPI) — Fourteen cars of a Reading Railroad freight train, including four carrying military explosives, missiles and ammunition, were derailed Thursday near Grantham.

The water supply to Grantham was shut off for several hours when it was discovered chemicals were leaking from a derailed car and might seep into a water main supplying the town.

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## Prague Braced for Funeral

# Rites Riots Feared

Columbian Los Angeles Times Service

PRAGUE — The tensely anxious Prague government warned Thursday it was taking "every legal means" to prevent the massive funeral ceremonies for the young student who burned himself to death from erupting into disorder.

Already during the day the government's security force were unobtrusively taking up strategic positions throughout the city in preparation for what may well become one of the largest and most emotional public gatherings accorded to any individual funeral in many years.

The body of the student, 21-year-old Jan Palach, is to be in state from 10 a.m. until 10 p.m. Friday in the great Gothic Carolinian Hall of Prague's Charles University.

Special buses and trains have

been arranged to bring students and other citizens from all over the country to participate in the march past the catafalque and in the funeral procession to the cemetery on Saturday.

Judging from the mourning procession which marched through the centre of Prague on the day after Palach's death — in which an estimated 150,000 persons

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## Buildings Now Kindling

Some buildings splintered into kindling, others almost untouched — this picture is typical of parts of Hazelhurst, Miss., after early-morning tornado hop-scotched through community to kill at least 10 here and about 20 in other nearby districts. Storm roared in "so loud you couldn't hear" for amazing blow lasting two minutes. — (AP)

# Gunpoint 'Confession' Wrung from Skipper

CORONADO, Calif. (AP) — The skipper of the Pueblo, tears streaming, his voice an anguished cry, said Thursday North Koreans attempted to

force a spying confession from him by pretending to shoot him as he knelt before them, so shaken he could say only: "I love you Rose, I love you Rose."

He said he finally confessed later after they threatened to shoot his crew one by one, starting with the youngest. He said that night he tried to commit suicide by drowning himself in a water bucket, but was unable to do so.

Cmdr. Lloyd M. Bucher's blonde wife, Rose, sobbed and dug her fists into her eyes as she heard her husband testify before a United States Navy board of inquiry. It has warned him he may have violated regulations by surrendering his intelligence ship.

"GUN CLICKED" The 41-year-old officer, describing interrogation by his captors, said a North Korean shouted as Bucher knelt: "Kill the son of a bitch!"

Bucher added, referring to a guard with a gun pointed at his head: "The gun clicked, but it didn't go off, and I didn't hear a shell fall to the floor. I felt sure they were going to shoot me."

He said his captors showed him a man they said was a South Korean who had bitten through his lip during torture while strapped to a wall and told him: "That's what happens to spies, and you are spies, and you will get exactly the same."

"I passed out," he said. Bucher was in his fourth day

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## Finance Wizard Dies at 62

TORONTO (CP) — Wallace McCutcheon, 62, former senator and federal cabinet minister who earned a reputation in business as a financial wizard, died in hospital Thursday.

Death came at 4:30 p.m. at Wellesley Hospital where he was taken after suffering a stroke at his Gormley, Ont., home late in the morning.

Funeral services will be held Monday at 2:30 p.m. at Timothy Eaton Memorial Church in Toronto.

McCutcheon is survived by five children, all of Toronto and nine grandchildren. Born May 18, 1906 in London, Ont., McCutcheon was summoned to the Senate in August, 1962, and resigned before last June's federal elec-



McCutcheon

tion. He was unsuccessful in his 1967 bid to win the national leadership of the Progressive Conservative party which went to Robert Stanfield.

Director of a large number of industrial and financial companies before he became a senator, he was appointed minister of trade and commerce Feb. 11, 1963, by John Diefenbaker, then prime minister. He served until April, 1963.

Once launched on a political career, McCutcheon made plain his political philosophy as an unabashed conservative and unrepentant capitalist. He was opposed to national medical care, guaranteed annual income and any form of anti-Americanism.







# State Ball Gay Affair

By DOROTHY WROTNOWSKI  
and EILEEN LEAROYD

Government House looking like a grey fortress in the snow, brooded under a quarter moon for the biggest party of the British Columbia year Thursday night — the State Ball.

Captains of industry, finance and politics — and officers of the armed services — arrived in streams of cars with wives and sweethearts swathed in chiffon, satin and silk.

It was B.C. at its best, and a very good-looking best it was.

There was glitter and sparkle both inside and outside. The lights of the cars

that came in a steady stream picked out the sparkle of ice vying with the glitter of jewels and medals as the passengers stepped out to enter the warm and glowing atmosphere of Government House.

Fires were blazing in the large fireplace in the entrance and in the drawing room where Lieutenant-Governor and Mrs. Nicholson received their guests.

A profusion of flowers — daffodils, tulips and narcissus — filled the red-carpeted great hall where hundreds entered to make their first calls on the new lieutenant-governor and his gracious chatelaine, for even the traditional New

Years Day reception had been cancelled and it was an initial greeting for many.

Mrs. Nicholson chose a gown of darkest green peau de soie embroidered with silver tracery on the bodice and wide side panel that swept into a slight side train. She had pearls and a diamond tiara.

Three former lieutenant-governors and their wives were at the ball — The Hon. and Mrs. Clarence Wallace, The Hon. and Mrs. Frank MacKenzie Ross and The Hon. and Mrs. George R. Pearkes — as well as widows of two former lieutenant-governors, Mrs. Eric W. Hamber and Mrs. W. C. Woodward.

Mrs. Wallace wore a full-skirted gown of pale beige satin brocade with gold pattern and a tiara. Mrs. Ross chose a Worth model in pale old gold faille heavily embroidered in gold. Mrs. Pearkes was in deep beige peau de soie sheath with glitter at the neckline.

Mrs. Hamber's gown was of water green lace, and Mrs. Woodward chose black with silver thread.

Mrs. Ralph Campney, widow of the minister of national defence in the Pearson government, was over from Vancouver. She was stunning in a Marie Kaffia model featuring a short bodice of black peau de soie and skirt of silver print brocade — material that her husband had brought back from Korea.

Mrs. Leslie Petersen was striking in a stark white peau de soie with touches of deep chocolate brown, and Mrs. Robert Bomer wore a pink sheath with pink ostrich feathers around the top of the strapless bodice.

Mrs. Hugh Stephen was in a cyclamen-toned classic crepe gown, and Mrs. Hugh Curtis also chose a gown in deep pink with sequined ring collar.

There never were prettier ballgowns.

Mrs. John Wallace, dark-eyed and dark-haired, wore a chartreuse gown of dulled satin, with a dazzling, Spanish-frilled low back, and long crystal earrings.

Mrs. Tom Capozzi, Kelowna, wore a loose Roman dress of silver and white stripes with

a circlet of diamonds in her fair hair that had everyone turning for second and third looks.

Her sister-in-law, Mrs. Herbert Capozzi, whose husband is the member for Vancouver Centre, was also in white the high neck of her gown lit by diamonds.

Mrs. John Wade's straight white crepe dress had wide bands of silver beading on the short sleeves and at the hemline.

Mrs. Richard Bower was in tangerine chiffon with floating back panel and Mrs. F. A. E. Manning's sheath of deep beige lace had a side split skirt.

Mrs. Ed Lum wore amethyst peau de soie with deep ruffle at the hemline and Mrs. Connie Menzies was in white peau de soie with silver sequin embroidery. Mrs. Jack Lee's black dress had large coins of gold imprinted on it. Mrs. Gordon Elworthy chose black and brocade.

Another eye-stopping gown was worn by Mrs. Ted Cohen whose silver, gold and purple dress was bought in Jerusalem.



Photographer Jim Ryan caught this general view of imposing State Ball in government house



Nicholsons greet Mrs. C. N. Woodward



Trudeau cut marks Herb Capozzi with brother Tom, wives

The wife of consul for Guatemala, Mrs. Bernard W. Hofer, was also stunning in a dress handwoven by Maya Indians at Lake Atitlan. It was red and silver and black in dramatic bands.

Mrs. M. L. T. Drake in white dynasty satin from Hong Kong, Mrs. Peter Banks in jade green brocade, Mrs. G. M. Bold in a midnight blue sheath, and Mrs. R. White in pink with red roses at the nape of her neck, all had heads turning.

After 600 guests had been received by His Honor and Mrs. Nicholson in the emerald and white drawing room, they entered the magnificent gold and scarlet ballroom to swirl around the floor to the West Indian music of the Skylighters.

"Very swinging music," said Jack James of Salt Spring Island, tapping his foot, "very merry indeed." Mrs. James looked lovely in black over gold.

Jack Bateman of the B.C. Vocational School at Nanaimo was responsible for the catering.

## Pomp and Ceremony Are Order of the Day at Formal Opening of B.C. Legislature



New Liberal David Brousson meets Speaker Murray as Allan Cox awaits turn



Royal Roads honor guard is inspected by Lieutenant Governor Nicholson



Camera lens catches brilliant scene in legislative chamber



## Power Supply Turned Off In Tax Battle

NANAIMO — A Nanaimo man who objects to paying a five-percent tax on his electricity bill, has lost his power.

Don LePointe of 745 Park Avenue said he had not paid the tax for two years although he had paid for the electricity which he had used.

The amount of tax involved is \$22.68 and now B.C. Hydro has cut off his power.

Mr. LePointe said he did not believe that the tax was legal, according to his interpretation of legislation covering the sales tax.

He said the tax was supposed to be on tangible goods and electricity was intangible.

"They won't take me to court and I cannot get an injunction to get the power restored," said Mr. LePointe.

He said he had approached officials of B.C. Hydro and asked them to take him to court, "but they said they would rather cut off the power."

Mr. LePointe said there was no tax on natural gas or cablevision. He could not understand why electricity should warrant a tax.

He said the cut-off did not occur until the temperature began to drop.

"I think this is why they did it. It is cold enough that they probably thought I would break down and pay."

## Cowichan Area

## Flood Warning Going Into Action

DUNCAN — An early flood warning system has been designed for the Cowichan Valley regional district which will tell communities in the lower reaches of the Cowichan

River of an impending flood about 12 hours before it occurs. Daily entries are made on a large chart, covering tidal conditions at Cowichan Bay, rain-fall, water level and water

velocity measured at Lake Cowichan. The chart was devised by board secretary Peter Hayward.

Mr. Hayward said that Duncan and North Cowichan would be notified as soon as abnormal conditions occurred.

Helping Mr. Hayward to gather the information are B.C. Forest Service experimental station at Mesachie Lake, Crofton Pulp and Paper Ltd., which operates a weir at Lake Cowichan, the resources department which takes regular readings of Cowichan River's water velocity at the lake and B.C. Forest Service nursery, Duncan.

Mr. Hayward said the warning service was established this week.

It serves a twofold purpose. It will produce important information for future flood control plans and it enables the regional board to warn Duncan and North Cowichan.

Mr. Hayward said: "This will give them time to take the necessary emergency measures."

Readings are made once a day.

The potential flood threat is illustrated on the chart which shows a 530.5-foot fall from Lake Cowichan to the river mouth at Cowichan Bay — a distance of 27.5 miles.

Meanwhile, municipal, city and Cowichan Indian band officials are keeping their fingers crossed that the thaw will not be accompanied by heavy rains.

## News Media

## Douglas Urges More Freedom

NANAIMO — Prime Minister Trudeau should be thinking about extending the freedom of the news media rather than curtailing it, said NDP leader T. C. Douglas at a coffee party Thursday.

Mr. Douglas, candidate in the Feb. 10 byelection, criticized Mr. Trudeau for making remarks about using police to pry into the private lives of reporters.

"Such remarks, said even in jest, by any member of parliament let alone the prime minister, are in bad taste," said Mr. Douglas. "Since the prime minister has repeated the substance of the remarks, his comments take on a sinister note of totalitarianism."

He urged the federal government to take steps to further news media freedom by providing legislation that would

allow live broadcast and telecasting of the House of Commons.

He said that an electronic Hansard was the logical extension of the present system of providing written records of everything that was said in Parliament.

BROADCASTS URGED  
Mr. Douglas suggested that cameras and microphones be set up in Parliament to provide continuous broadcasts throughout the country on channels and radio stations that are now unused.

"That way every Canadian will have at his fingertips instant access to his government," said Mr. Douglas. "Saskatchewan was the first legislature to broadcast its deliberations. These broadcasts were so popular and successful that they have now been continued for 20 years."

## Rescuer Wonders About Future

HONG KONG — Apprehension about entering a Chinese port again was expressed Thursday by a young Japanese sea captain who saved a Nanaimo yachting couple from capture by a Chinese junk.

"But I would do the same again if I had to," he said.

Yukimitsu Yamaguchi, 34, of Hiroshima first became involved with the yacht on

Monday when he mistook it for a Hong Kong pilot boat. But as he drew closer Yamaguchi realized it was a pleasure craft being chased by a Chinese junk.

"I hadn't the faintest idea who was aboard the junk or the yacht, but I knew the yacht was in serious trouble and I had to save those people," Yamaguchi told The Associated Press Thursday through his radio operator-interpreter, Katsutake Ishimaru of Matsuyama.

Yamaguchi said the scene of the sea chase was about 12 miles southeast of Hong Kong's outlying Waglan Island. A Hong Kong marine department spokesman said that would be in Chinese waters. A more easterly position would have been in international waters.

Yamaguchi, who has sailed into Chinese ports before, said he made a full report on Monday's incident to the Japanese consulate in Hong Kong and asked his government's representatives here to

"make everything smooth so there will be no problems in the future if I ever sail to China again."

When the Shonan Maru reached within 300 yards of the yacht belonging to 54-year-old Arne Larsen and his wife Evelyn, Capt. Yamaguchi saw Mrs. Larsen waving frantically for help, while her husband was sailing his vessel back and forth and in circles to escape the Chinese junk.

Yamaguchi said he passed the scene and then turned

about and sailed his ship between the yacht and the junk.

The junk scurried away in the direction of China and the yacht sailed on to Hong Kong.

"If it had not been for that Japanese captain, we could be in Communist China now," Larsen said earlier this week after he arrived in Hong Kong.

"I don't know if they ever would have let us go."

What Yamaguchi did not know was that Monday's

incident was the Larsen's second encounter with the Chinese. The couple's yacht lost its mast in a typhoon and drifted into Chinese waters on Jan. 9 when the Chinese first captured them and held them for 11 days before freeing them on Jan. 20.

As they sailed toward Hong Kong on the day of their release another group of Chinese went after the Larsens when the Canadians were virtually in sight of freedom.

## Teacher Hopes To Reach Home Today

NITINAT — Mrs. Emily Garnett is hoping that she will be able to leave her one-room Nitinat elementary school today for another weekend at her Cayuse home.

She is finishing her second week of living at the school after snow made area roads difficult to travel.

Last week she had to hitch a ride on a Crown Zellerbach crummy because her husband was unable to get their car out of the driveway.

She decided to live at the school to ensure that she would be able to teach her 16 students in Grades 1 to 4. She was afraid that the snow would stop her from travelling to the school daily.

"I hope to go home this weekend although I have not made any arrangements yet," said Mrs. Garnett Thursday.

"I brought plenty of food this time. I think it is much safer and better to stay on at the school. It is going to be a long time, and even more horrible, before the roads get better." I dread the day it starts to rain."

ONLY SUGAR  
When Mrs. Garnett, who is in her 50s, closed the school at the end of last week, she only had two spoons of sugar left from her supply of food.

Mrs. Garnett said it snowed again at Nitinat Thursday.

However she has had a full attendance every day this week.

"I encouraged the 16 students to go out and play in the snow on their lunch hours," she said. Most of them go out and have fun."

Mrs. Garnett, who has been at the school for five years, has never been absent.



Mrs. Garnett

## Hovering Run Ready

NANAIMO — The Nanaimo to Vancouver Pacific Hovercraft runs are ready to start as soon as terminal facility arrangements are completed.

Byng Heaney, an official of the company, told Nanaimo Jaycees Thursday night that the company was building two 60 by 80 foot steel barges for the Nanaimo and Vancouver terminals on which the craft would land.

He said the \$422,000, 151,000 horsepower craft was aiming for an annual passenger list of 52,000 people from the 4,700,000 who travel annually between Vancouver and the Island.

"We must obtain 53.3 per cent occupancy to break even," said Mr. Heaney.

He said: "The machine is eating its head off money with every hour it isn't producing revenue with staff upkeep, insurance and depreciation."

He said there were not to be any night runs until the Norwegian pilots were completely familiar with the Georgia Straits.

It was the first commercial hovercraft application in North America, apart from the Expo craft.

## Throne Speech:

## Gas Line Plan Well Advanced

It will probably be at least two years before a subsidiary of Westcoast Transmission Company begins construction of an estimated \$60,000,000 under-water pipeline project designed to supply Vancouver Island with natural gas.

The throne speech read at the opening of the legislature Thursday contained a reference to the project and said the government was pleased to learn "plans are well advanced" for the pipeline link from the mainland to the Island.

Premier Bennett later told reporters the pipeline project would "not necessarily" be built by B.C. Hydro, but he declined to elaborate.

SUBSIDIARY FORMED  
Officials of Westcoast Transmission Company, in a telephone interview from Vancouver, said the company has worked extensively on the project for at least two or three years. A subsidiary, Island and Coast Natural Gas Company, has been formed to supply natural gas to the Island.

A spokesman for the company, engineer Don Duguid, said the \$60,000,000 project had not yet reached the construction stage because the price of natural gas wasn't competitive with other imported fuels.

ALTERNATE ROUTES  
"We have to sell big volumes of gas for industrial use," Mr. Duguid said. "We have made no progress in obtaining long-term gas contracts because of the depressed price of imported residual fuel oil."

He said his company was optimistic that the project would go ahead in two years. Westcoast is now planning to build a pipeline from Williams Lake to serve Powell River and then cross to Vancouver Island.

There are also alternate routes under consideration.

"The news is interesting," G. B. McGillivray, B.C. manager of the Canadian Petroleum Association, said of the premier's announcement.

He pointed out that the need for gas on Vancouver Island was growing because of new forest industry mills and plants and the development of new mines on the northern end of the Island.

"Vancouver Island is natural resources rich, but energy poor," he said.

"So far as electricity is concerned, the Island is too close to the brown-out level at peak periods to be comfortable, despite the fact that B.C. Hydro is proceeding with new generating facilities at Jordan River and elsewhere. There is no doubt that availability of natural gas at economical prices would be a great assistance to the development of the Island."

'Area for Park Needs Defining'

TOFINO — Although Tofino residents welcomed the news in Thursday's throne speech that there would be legislation this year to facilitate a marine park at Long Beach, some felt that the proposed park area should be defined.

Jack Bruce, operator of a schooner restaurant said: "I certainly think it would be a logical step to create park in this area."

He had been trying to find out just what the boundaries would be, and the cost, "but it is all very vague."

He felt the next step would be for someone to define the park area and then the cost and feasibility could be considered.

Mark Seymour, a young businessman, said he would very much like to see it all set down on paper.

Since he had been in Tofino, he had heard so many conflicting stories about where the park would be developed, he would like to see it more clearly

defined before drawing any conclusions.

Denis Singleton, a member of Tofino Chamber of Commerce, and operator of Maquina's Hotel, said many private property owners had been concerned about their property, and values.

However when Northern Development Minister Jean Chretien visited the area recently, they had been assured they wouldn't suffer, he said.

When Mr. Chretien went to Tofino, MP Richard Durand explained that plans had to be nebulous to prevent land speculation.

The Queen of the Islands will be used to provide more passenger and automobile capacity this summer on the Comox to Powell River run. The Comox Queen, the throne speech indicated Thursday, is likely to be used on the Jervis Inlet crossing.

## Duncan

## Armed Bandit Robs Store

DUNCAN — An armed, masked bandit escaped with \$31 from a produce store Wednesday night.

A man walked into Columbia Produce Grocery Store, Trunk Road and Brae, at about midnight and brandished a revolver as he demanded money.

The owners are Mr. and Mrs. Wong Poy, who have operated the store for almost three years.

Mr. Poy said the holdup lasted only a few minutes and took place as he was about the close the store.

"We heard him coming but we were seconds too late in locking the door. He walked up to the counter and pointed a gun at us and told us he wanted some money," he said.

"We told him we didn't have much money but he said again 'I want some money,' so we let him have \$31 from the till."

"VERY SCARED"  
"We were both standing behind the counter, near the till. We were very scared. Then he told us not to move and left the store."

Mr. Poy said the bandit walked towards Brae Road. He was described as being in his 30s, wearing a dark corduroy jacket.

NANAIMO — Nanaimo Downtown Merchants' committee is to begin a project to ensure the city's commercial centre remains along Commercial Street.

The committee has announced that the Hall Building would be renovated to allow a corridor from Terminal Avenue to Commercial Street.

The corridor, 150-feet long, would necessitate a four-month, \$100,000 construction project which, when finished, would provide an old English Commercial Street frontage and a modern entrance on Terminal.

The corridor would allow drivers to cut across Terminal Avenue from a proposed parking site and short-cut through the Hall Building, which would be renamed Town Mall.

Mladen Zorkin, spokesman for the committee, said the project would start a trend toward utilizing Commercial Street buildings' rear areas as second store fronts.

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## Mini-Bugs Help Students

Story and Picture  
By DONNA CLEMENTS

DUNCAN — Students were rushing around Cowichan senior secondary school the other day, carrying little dishlike objects and picking at various surfaces.

Their odd-looking activity had a serious aim. They were collecting bacteria to study in microbiology classes.

The dishes contained nutrients to keep the bacteria alive and growing so their characteristics could be observed under a microscope.

Biology teacher D. A. Arnott said: "The interest of students perks up in this class because the study of microscopic organisms means more to the students than intangible things."

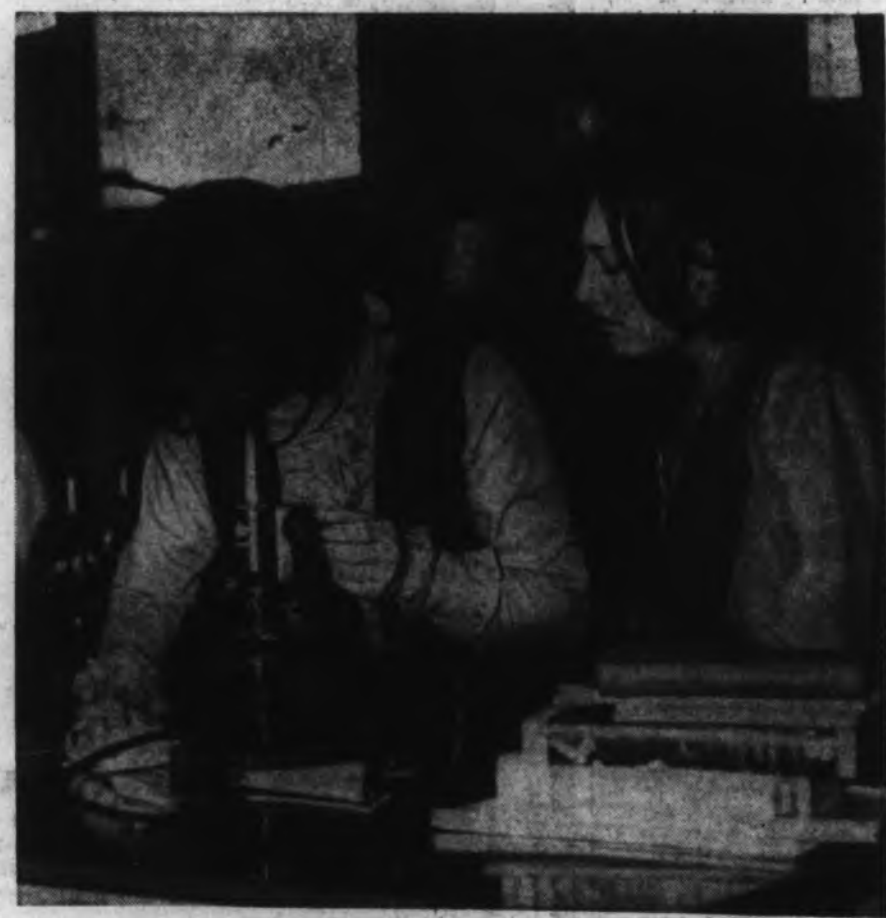
After the bacteria were collected, the dishes were incubated to give the organisms a chance to develop.

"The students use a basic staining technique to study the bacteria under microscopes," Mr. Arnott said.

"This enables them to separate the bacteria into major groups and aids in identification," he said.

Biology classes are also taught on the school's educational television system.

"This enables us to transmit throughout the school and the district and also to tape our own programs," Mr. Arnott said. "Instruction is more interesting for the student so they retain more."



Ruth Whittaker and Beth Nutt, both 16, study slides



# City Woman Eyes Le Moulin

A Victoria woman is reported to have made an offer to buy the Duke of Windsor's country home near Paris for \$780,000.

A member of the staff of Pemberton Holmes, confirmed

that Mrs. Geoffrey Ellis of 2031 Runnymede had been interested in the suburban Paris property since October. Asking price for the country estate of 23 acres is \$1,300,000. Mrs. Ellis is known to have

extensive property holdings in the Greater Victoria area. She has also been active in a number of community affairs, especially the Maritime Museum and the revitalization of Bastion Square.

P. D. P. Holmes said Wednesday that Mrs. Ellis had heard about the Duke of Windsor's estate through the San Francisco office of Previews Incorporated, an American company engaged in international real estate transactions. Mr. Holmes said, "I am very surprised that anything has come out about this at this time."

The estate is known as Le Moulin de la Tuilerie and is located about 10 miles southwest of Paris.

It comprises 23 acres, an 18th-century mill and a group of former farm buildings, now converted to a residence and guest houses.

The property known as Le Moulin dates to 1761 and has been the country home of the former King Edward VIII since 1953. Extensive renovations were made to the property by the duke, who was particularly interested in developing the gardens of the estate.

A small river, the Merantaise, which once powered the mill, has been incorporated into the extensive landscaping.

The largest building on the property, formerly the mill itself, was restored and is now the main residence of 10 rooms. It includes two salons, one of them 35 feet long, a library, dining room and two master bedroom suites.

The old barn is now a summer living room and houses the duke's large collection of historic memorabilia.

One of the items in the collection is a magnificent Chippendale desk on which the Duke signed his Instrument of Abdication in 1936. It is one of the few items of furnishing not included in the sale.

The estate also includes a swimming pool, two greenhouses, accommodation for servants and some meadowland. Special carpets, draperies and the antique furniture are included in the sale. Much of the work in the garden was done by the duke himself.

Pemberton Holmes staff said they had no idea what Mrs. Ellis might do with the estate if the transaction was completed, but it has been suggested from London that she might turn the property into a guest house and museum.

Mr. Ellis said Wednesday in Victoria that he had heard nothing yet about the offer to buy the duke's estate. Mrs. Ellis is now in England visiting members of her family.



Duke's living room contains abdication desk at right

## Saanich Police Probe Quiz Cruelty Charge

Saanich police department has begun an investigation of a charge by the B.C. Civil Liberties Association that three young men were abused by police interrogators early Monday morning.

The three swore affidavits Wednesday concerning the incident, said Victoria CLU spokesman Mrs. Charles Burchill, 1525 Davie.

Earlier, Mrs. Burchill charged that the three were questioned for five hours Monday, had their shoes and other personal property confiscated,

and were let go in stockings without any charge being laid. Saanich police Inspector J. M. Post said Wednesday:

"At the moment all I can say is that a full investigation is being made."

"The matter has been brought to the attention of the Saanich Police Commission chairman, Mayor Curtis."

"We hope to be able to make a statement before the end of the week."

Mrs. Burchill added: "The Saanich police have promised to go ahead with an

investigation now that they have the sworn information."

She said the CLU would not push the matter further until the police report had been made.

Mrs. Burchill said all three young men had since had their shoes returned. An electric drill and screwdriver were also returned, she said, but other property was still in the hands of police.

The three reportedly were stopped while driving out of a service station parking lot about midnight Sunday.

## Juvenile Offenders

# Check-In Centre May Cut Cases

The proposed establishment of an "attendance centre" as an alternative to Brannan Lake training school is expected to reduce even further the number of appearances of Greater Victoria juveniles in courtrooms.

Chairman of the Greater Victoria Family and Children's Court committee, Saanich Alderman Mrs. Edith Gunning reported Wednesday to the committee that only 573 juvenile offenders went to court in 1968 compared with 1,351 in 1967. And offences dealt with by the court numbered only 995, as against 1,676 in 1967.

The drastic reduction is the result of different approaches adopted with regard to juvenile offenders. Increased use of Family and Children's Court probation facilities is a major reason.

The probation staff has been dealing with many family cases, too, in an attempt to bring about reconciliations and financial agreements without the necessity of coming before the judge, Ald. Gunning said.

Glue-sniffing is a growing delinquency, especially in the 12- to 15-year age group, she reported.

It was generally agreed, after study, that to make glue-sniffing illegal would not be a solution and that those who practised it were showing symptoms of other personal problems.

"It would therefore be helpful

if teachers and parents were better informed on the symptoms and dangers of "glue-sniffing," Ald. Gunning reported.

"Counsellors could then try to uncover the basic problems. It was also agreed that to introduce juveniles to satisfying and challenging use of leisure time would reduce the tendency to experiment with glue-sniffing and drugs for kicks."

**SENTENCE ALTERNATIVE**  
A prime consideration of the committee in 1969 will be the establishment of the attendance centre which would substitute for being sentenced to Brannan Lake.

This came about because of a large number of juveniles appearing in court on breaking-and-entering charges, which, it would seem, were connected to glue-sniffing, Ald. Gunning reported.

Two emergency meetings were held with representatives from agencies that might assist in offering alternatives to committing such juveniles to training schools like Brannan Lake. The concept of an attendance centre was the result.

The centre would be set up as an auxiliary resource to the Family and Children's Court. Certain children would be ordered by the court to report after school or on weekends.

A program would be evolved under the direction of two

trained people with certain skills.

The program, hopefully, would give these juveniles a sense of recognition and achievement, to develop some continuing interests and to improve their relationship with adults.

The program could include community work projects, supervised study time, weekend camps and supervised recreation.

**OTHER STAFFS**  
The work at the centre should be co-ordinated with the activities of the probation staff, the detached workers in the community and perhaps the staff of other agencies, she said.

The whole program would be geared to the special talents of the staff and the needs of the juveniles.

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which he says is first of its kind in B.C.—(Donna Clements)

## Duncan Experiment

# Outboard Goes In

DUNCAN—Bert Groves of Duncan is carrying out a boat and motor experiment for a Richmond company.

The test has provided him with the only inboard-outboard motor made in British Columbia.

"The idea is not new to the general public," he said, "but it is the first one in B.C."

The motor was made by K. C. Thermoglass Co. of Richmond.

"I sell outboards, boats and motors and I asked the company to combine a motor like this one with one of their boats," said Mr. Groves.

"The usual motor hangs on the back of the boat but this one goes inside. It is a car motor with an outboard drive and is situated in the rear of the boat and not in the centre."

Mr. Groves said the company was interested in his request and he obtained the boat and motor two months ago. He has been conducting various experiments to see how successful the combination is.

"I take it out for test runs—fishing to see how it is for trolling and later in the warmer weather I will see how she is for sailing."

"I am satisfied now that it is 100 per cent okay. It does 32 miles an hour."

# Winch Backs Attempt To Boost Mud Flats

NANAIMO — Support came Thursday from Liberal candidate Eric Winch for Mayor Frank Ney's proposal to expand the potential of Nanaimo's waterfront industry.

Mayor Ney earlier announced that he was seeking a meeting with Municipal Affairs Minister

Den Campbell when he would make a bid to have the mud flats area brought into the city's jurisdiction.

Mr. Winch, who is contesting the Feb. 10 Nanaimo-Cowichan Islands by-election, said not only the city should not look toward future development of

those 30 acres, Indians in the nearby Number 1 reserve should also consider expansion.

"It's an excellent proposal and once again shows Nanaimo is fortunate to have a mayor and city council with vision. I would certainly do all I could to get the federal government to play its part," Mr. Winch said at a Nanaimo coffee party.

## TREMENDOUS INCENTIVE

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"That decision would have to be theirs completely but I am sure that with encouragement from the federal government and local authorities, they would soon realize that Mayor Ney is, in effect, offering them an excellent opportunity for development."

# Fire Chief Resigns After 13 Years

NORTH COWICHAN — North Cowichan (southern) fire chief Pat Clarkson has stepped down because of work pressures and council is planning to express its appreciation for Mr. Clarkson's long service.

He will stay on as a fireman with the south-end volunteer fire brigade.

Ald. John Cannon told council Wednesday: "Mr. Clarkson was one of those who helped to

establish the volunteer fire department in 1955. For the past 13 years he has served as chief."

He has represented the department on the Vancouver Island Firefighters' Association as secretary-treasurer and of the six years he served on the executive of the B.C. Firefighters' Association he was president for one year.

# Cadets Visit Comox

COMOX — About 200 air cadets from squadrons at Victoria, Powell River and West Vancouver, and sea cadets from Port Alberni, visited CFB Comox recently.

The boys, whose ages ranged from 13 to 18, took part in a parade, inspection of base aircraft, flying and sports.

There were also lectures on

aircraft engines, safety equipment, fire prevention and equipment.

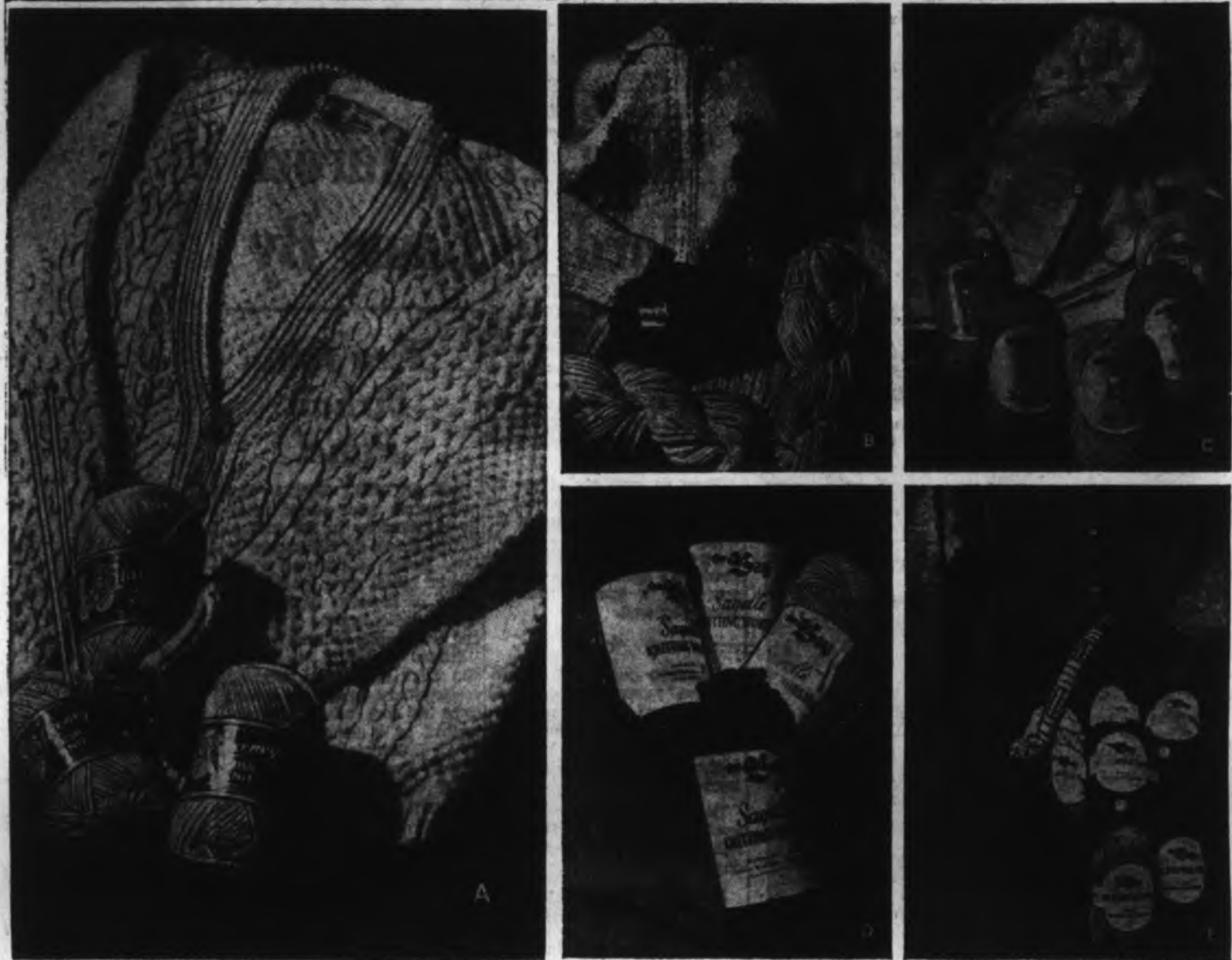
Similar visits are planned for each month until May. Each group will number between 200 and 250 cadets.

Boys from army, sea and air cadet units will take part so that they can see how different units operate and officers and instructors can exchange ideas.

The Comox base was also host for the B.C. Air Cadet League annual meeting.

Members come from the Lower Mainland and Vancouver Island regions. It brings together the executive of the provincial committee and representatives of individual sponsoring committees, squadron officers and service liaison officers.

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## 'Changes Obvious'

# Opposition Rips Probe

Speech  
From  
Throne

# LIQUOR LOOK, RIGHTS HEAD B.C. JOB LIST

● Annual reports, other opening day stories,  
Pages 14, 15, 16, 19, 31, 33.

Leaders of both the New Democratic Party and the Liberals in the legislature Thursday attacked the government for appointing a royal commission inquiry into B.C. drinking habits instead of passing new liquor laws this session.

## Speech At Glance

● Royal commission will probe B.C. drinking habits. (See Page 15.)

● A provincial Human Rights Act will extend its principles into new and more challenging areas.

● Merger of B.C. Supreme and County Courts, with raised status for Magistrate's Courts and the provincial government paying the salaries of magistrates at an estimated saving of some \$750,000 a year for municipalities. (See Page 19.)

● New consumer protection legislation.

● Establishment of a Law Reform Commission promised by the government last fall.

● Legislation will facilitate development of a national park at Long Beach on the west coast of Vancouver Island. (See Page 33.)

● The government will stress education and health services at the coming session. Educational programs at all levels will be improved and expanded.

● The Woodson royal commission report on automobile insurance in B.C. will be placed before the legislature forthwith, with a good chance that its recommendations will be referred to a committee for study.

● Legislation requiring mining companies, including those engaged in open-pit mining, to meet satisfactory aesthetic and environmental standards, will be introduced and may be subject of public hearings before a legislative committee.

● A division of special education will be established to help solve the problems of educationally handicapped children throughout the province.

● The government will continue to "pursue vigorously" its attack on pollution on land, water and in the air. Legislation will assure appropriate observance of the 100th anniversary of B.C.'s entry into Confederation in 1971.

● Programs to establish community boarding homes for the mentally retarded and psychiatrically disabled will be expanded in keeping with decentralization of mental health services.

● The total number of public housing units in the province will be doubled in the next two years. (The speech contained no reference to new aid for private homeowners which the government has promised this session.)

● Plans are also "well advanced" for extension of natural gas service to Vancouver Island by way of an underwater pipeline from the mainland. (See Page 19.)

● The speech makes reference to the 50th anniversary of the Civil Service Commission and praises the quality of the civil service but gives no hint of meeting requests for collective bargaining rights.

"Setting up a royal commission is the last refuge of a government that doesn't know what to do and doesn't want to do anything," said Opposition Leader Robert Strachan.

"In B.C. we have never been so bedeviled by royal commissions as we are today. B.C. has been in the liquor business for the past 40 years and nobody knows more about liquor than government agencies and this government."

Liberal leader Patrick McGeer said he believed it would have been much better just to go ahead and change the drinking laws. He added, "The changes required are more or less obvious."

Mr. Strachan launched a bitter attack on the contents of the throne speech. He said it was the first time in recent years that he had not received a copy of the speech in advance of delivery. But having read it, he added, it was easy to see why. The NDP leader suggested the premier was ashamed.

"My initial reaction is one of shocked disbelief," said Mr.

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## Courts Face Reform

By IAN STREET  
Legislative Reporter

A royal commission to probe B.C. drinking habits and new legislation to protect human rights in the province highlight the Speech from the Throne read by Lieutenant-Governor John Nicholson at the opening of the legislature Thursday.

Premier Bennett told a press conference the royal commission, to be appointed by the cabinet shortly, would provide a "thorough look-see into the whole liquor situation in the province."

He said it wasn't a delaying action in the face of mounting public demand for a change in B.C. liquor laws, and indicated some changes which the commission might recommend in an interim report could result in changes in regulations within "a couple of months."

### CONFRONTATION?

Promises of a new provincial Human Rights Act, consolidating existing laws in this field and moving into "new and more challenging areas," raised the possibility of a new confrontation with Ottawa, which has proposed a new Bill of Rights to be enshrined in Canada's constitution.

In the B.C. brief intended for delivery at the postponed federal-provincial constitutional conference last December, Mr. Bennett said: "This federal proposal (for a new bill of rights) appears to conflict with the plea for unity in diversity, which has such importance in parts of Canada, and moreover to place these rights beyond the reach of the parliamentary institutions of the country by entrenchment is to argue for more rigidity rather than less in the constitutional arrangements by which Canadians govern themselves."

### COURT REFORM

Attorney-General Leslie Peterson, who will be the first major government speaker of this session, will explain the government position on a new B.C. human rights bill in the legislature next Tuesday afternoon, the premier said.

During the attorney-general's opening speech, Mr. Bennett added, the House will also be given an explanation of proposals to reform B.C. courts and to establish a B.C. Law Reform Commission, first promised last fall.

The throne speech said the legislature would be asked to consider "certain major improvements in administration of justice in British Columbia."

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## State of Emergency

# Caracas Slum Overrun By Guerrillas

CARACAS (UPI) — Uniformed Venezuela communist "urban guerrillas" took control of the Silsa slum district of Caracas Thursday night and battled a huge force of police and security units. The city was declared under a "state of local emergency."

## Hundreds Held

## Student Riots Spread

From UPI, Reuters, AP

Student uprisings in San Francisco and in Paris Thursday highlighted a day of university violence on two continents.

Police arrested 380 demonstrators — the city's largest mass arrest — in dispersing an illegal rally at strike-torn San Francisco State College.

Nearly 500 persons were encircled by a force of 250 officers at a campus rally. While scores managed to escape and throw rocks, bricks and other missiles at the officers, more were nabbed and disarmed.

● In Paris thousands of police and students clashed in the worst riots since last summer. Ancient Sorbonne University became a battlefield when police charged in after students occupied the rector's office.

Within the Sorbonne the students defaced an old painting of Cardinal Richelieu, destroyed files and books, and hung red banners from the windows.

● In Madrid "Groups of Spanish students demonstrated for the third successive day, blocking traffic and yelling insults at police."

● Berlin saw several hundred students rampage through the Free University of West Berlin, breaking into buildings in one of the city's most violent actions.

● In Rome also, thousands of students marched and shouted as angry demonstrations against the Soviet occupation of Czechoslovakia swept Italy.

The police report said reinforcements from the municipal police, political police and other security agencies encircled the slum district, part of the industrial "Cafia" sector of western Caracas, about 7 p.m. Heavy sniper fire was reported.

The state of emergency was declared and reinforcements dispatched after the communist terrorists machinegunned a police car in Silsa, wounding all four occupants. Police began raiding homes and apartments in pursuit of the guerrillas and later reported the neighborhood had been "taken" by them.

### GUERRILLA CHIEFTAN

It was the second attack on Caracas police by so-called "urban guerrillas" Thursday. Police said members of the "Armed Front of National Liberation," a pro-Castro group headed by Venezuelan communist guerrilla chief Douglas Bravo, opened fire earlier on a group of policemen in the Caracas slum district of El Guantaro.

## Explosives, Chemicals In Wreckage

HARRISBURG, Pa. (UPI) — Fourteen cars of a Reading Railroad freight train, including four carrying military explosives, missiles and ammunition, were derailed Thursday near Grantham.

The water supply to Grantham was shut off for several hours when it was discovered chemicals were leaking from a derailed car and might seep into a water main supplying the town.

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## Prague Braced for Funeral

# Rites Riots Feared

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PRAGUE — The tensely anxious Prague government warned Thursday it was taking "every legal means" to prevent the massive funeral ceremonies for the young student who burned himself to death from erupting into disorder.

Already during the day the government's security forces were unobtrusively taking up strategic positions throughout the city in preparation for what may well become one of the largest and most emotional public gatherings accorded to any individual funeral in many years.

The body of the student, 21-year-old Jan Palach, is to lie in state from 10 a.m. until 10 p.m. Friday in the great Gothic Carolinian Hall of Prague's Charles University.

Special buses and trains have

been arranged to bring students and other citizens from all over the country to participate in the march past the catafalque and in the funeral procession to the cemetery on Saturday.

Judging from the mourning procession which marched through the centre of Prague on the day after Palach's death — in which an estimated 150,000 persons took part — the funeral

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## Buildings Now Kindling

Some buildings splintered into kindling, others almost untouched — this picture is typical of parts of Hanchuan, Missa, after early-morning tornado hop-scotched through community to kill at least 10 here and about 20 in other nearby districts. Storm roared in "so loud you couldn't hear" for smashing blow lasting two minutes. —(AP)

# Gunpoint 'Confession' Wrung from Skipper

CORONADO, Calif. (AP) — The skipper of the Pueblo, tears streaming, his voice an anguished cry, said Thursday North Koreans attempted to

force a spying confession from him by pretending to shoot him as he knelt before them, so shaken he could say only: "I love you Rose, I love you Rose."

He said he finally confessed later after they threatened to shoot his crew one by one, starting with the youngest. He said that night he tried to commit suicide by drowning himself in a water bucket, but was unable to do so.

Cmdr. Lloyd M. Bucher's blonde wife, Rose, sobbed and dug her fists into her eyes as she heard her husband testify before a United States Navy board of inquiry. It has warned him he may have violated regulations by surrendering his intelligence ship.

The 41-year-old officer, describing interrogation by his captors, said a North Korean shouted as Bucher knelt: "Kill the son of a bitch."

Bucher added, referring to a guard with a gun pointed at his head: "The gun clicked, but it didn't go off, and I didn't hear a shell fall to the floor. I felt sure they were going to shoot me."

He said his captors showed him a man they said was a South Korean who had bitten through his lip during torture while strapped to a wall and told him: "That's what happens to spies, and you are spies, and you will get exactly the same."

"I passed out," he said. Bucher was in his fourth day.

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## Finance Wizard Dies at 62



McCutcheon

TORONTO (CP) — Wallace McCutcheon, 62, former senator and federal cabinet minister who earned a reputation in business as a financial wizard, died in hospital Thursday.

Death came at 4:30 p.m. at Wellesley Hospital where he was taken after suffering a stroke at his Gormley, Ont., home late in the morning.

Funeral services will be held Monday at 2:30 p.m. at Timothy Eaton Memorial Church in Toronto.

McCutcheon is survived by five children, all of Toronto and nine grandchildren. Born May 15, 1906 in London, Ont., McCutcheon was summoned to the Senate in August, 1962, and resigned before last June's federal elec-

tion. He was unsuccessful in his 1967 bid to win the national leadership of the Progressive Conservative party which went to Robert Stanfield.

Director of a large number of industrial and financial companies before he became a senator, he was appointed minister of trade and commerce Feb. 11, 1963, by John Diefenbaker, then prime minister. He served until April, 1963.

Once launched on a political career, McCutcheon made plain his political philosophy as an unabashed Conservative and unrepentant capitalist. He was opposed to national medical care, guaranteed annual income and any form of anti-Americanism.



## From Mainland

## Two-Year Wait For Gas

It will probably be at least two years before a subsidiary of Westcoast Transmission Company begins construction of an estimated \$60,000,000 underwater pipeline project designed to supply Vancouver Island with natural gas.

The throne speech read at the opening of the legislature Thursday contained a reference to the project and said the government was pleased to learn "plans are well advanced" for the pipeline link from the mainland to the Island.

Premier Bennett later told reporters the pipeline project would "not necessarily" be built by B.C. Hydro, but he declined to elaborate.

## SUBSIDIARY FORMED

Officials of Westcoast Transmission Company, in a telephone interview from Vancouver, said the company has worked extensively on the project for at least two or three years. A subsidiary, Island and Coast Natural Gas Company, has been formed to supply natural gas to the Island.

A spokesman for the company, engineer Don Duguid, said the \$60,000,000 project had not yet reached the construction stage because the price of natural gas wasn't competitive with other imported fuels.

## ALTERNATE ROUTES

"We have to sell big volumes of gas for industrial use," Mr. Duguid said. "We have made no progress in obtaining long-term gas contracts because of the depressed price of imported residual fuel oils."

He said his company was optimistic that the project would go ahead in two years. Westcoast is now planning to build a pipeline from Williams Lake to serve Powell River and then cross to Vancouver Island. There are also alternate routes under consideration.

"The news is interesting," G. B. McGillivray, B.C. manager of the Canadian Petroleum Association, said of the premier's announcement.

## GROWING NEED

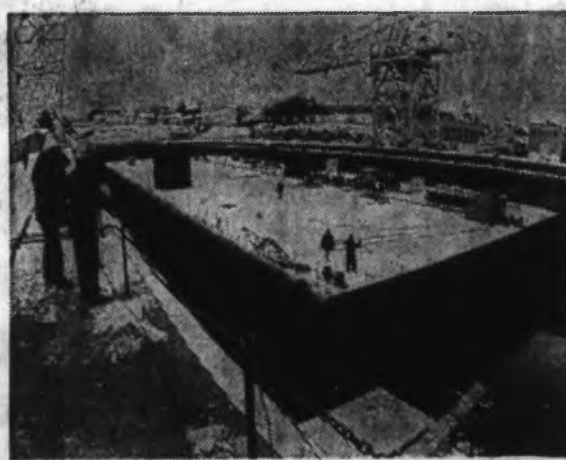
"We have been hoping for a pipeline to carry natural gas to the Island for many years, and we have had many disappointments," he added.

He pointed out that the need for gas on Vancouver Island was growing because of new forest industry mills and plants and the development of new

mines on the northern end of the Island.

"Vancouver Island is natural resources rich, but energy poor," he said.

"So far as electricity is concerned, the Island is too close to the brown-out level at peak periods to be comfortable, despite the fact that B.C. Hydro is proceeding with new generating facilities at Jordan River and elsewhere. There is no doubt that availability of natural gas at economical prices would be a great assistance to the development of the Island."



Sections of giant barge are floated into position in dock.

## Canada's Largest Will Serve World

Two sections of a \$4,500,000 barge went to the torch in a mammoth welding job Thursday in Esquimalt graving dock.

The crane-derrick barge, largest to be built in Canada, will be delivered to Raymond Concrete Company of Unionville, Ont., in March for use on construction sites throughout the world.

The two sections, which were built by Burrard Dry Dock Co., are to be welded together by Yarrows Ltd. A third section, complete with a 500-ton diesel-electric crane, will arrive for welding Feb. 6.

## Goodwill Needs Help

Goodwill Enterprises is hard-pressed for donations of unwanted articles, George Gray, president-treasurer, said Thursday.

The severe weather has almost halted incoming donations,

he said, and Goodwill is entirely dependent on home pickups.

Robert Dudley, Goodwill's manager and director of rehabilitation, asked the public not to hesitate to use the pickup service whenever the size or nature of donations justified it.

## Skaters Ignore Warning

Young Saanich skaters find frozen Elk Lake enticing spot but police warn it is dangerous, especially near middle. Ice at edge is reported to be five inches thick, but there are many cracks. Skaters are advised to stay near shore where they could be rescued if ice gave way.—(Robin Clarke)

## Family of 14 Cold, Cheerless

## Tots Huddle in Baby Crib

By NANCY BROWN

Three Victoria children slept huddled together for warmth in a baby crib Thursday night in a condemned Kings Road house

while welfare authorities pondered what to do with the shivering family.

However, volunteer social worker Jim McBurney said if something isn't done to re-

lieve the situation today he'll move the family of 14 into city hall.

The nine other children, including a week-old baby, suffered Thursday night's below-freezing temperatures in beds without enough blankets.

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Their parents—the father just out of hospital—were afraid to light a faulty oil stove except to cook meals because of the danger of setting the old house on fire.

Victoria's assistant welfare administrator Gerald Sommers refused to comment on the family's situation.

"He knows about it though," said Mr. McBurney.

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"I phoned him and he said he knew about the family and he might be able to do something about it today."

"He wouldn't even give the okay to move them into a hotel or motel for the night while someone figures out a solution."

Under the Welfare Act, workers have authority to move families into hotels or motels in an emergency.

"At least they'll be warm in the city hall," said Mr. McBurney.

"As for food, the only money they had Thursday was \$5 borrowed from another welfare family."

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He said he is reluctant to move them into city hall.

"We don't want to make a spectacle of the family, but somehow we have to get it through to those in charge that this housing and welfare situation is desperate, because this family is typical of others."

Mr. McBurney said the

family has a welfare income of about \$320 a month.

"That's a maximum amount, because if you're on welfare you are only allowed claim for six children—any more than that you must provide for somehow yourself."

They are living in a house in the Rose-Blanchard area, which is due to be razed for a housing scheme.

Mr. McBurney said the parents only light the stove for cooking because it gives off a peculiar odor and they are afraid of fire.

## Bennett on Deficit

## Buses-Only Fast Lanes Suggested

Municipalities in Greater Victoria and Vancouver can help reduce current "substantial" deficits on transit operations by creating bus-only rapid-transit lanes on downtown streets, Premier Bennett suggested Thursday.

He made the comment at a press conference following the reading of the throne speech marking the opening of the legislature. The speech said modest increases in the use of B.C. Hydro's transportation services were experienced last year.

It added, "Although the number of passengers carried by urban transit increased slightly, this service is still operating at a substantial deficit."

Mr. Bennett said, in reply to reporters' questions, that this reference should not be interpreted as an indication that the provincial government was going to dump transit into the laps of the municipalities either here or on the Lower Mainland.

However, the premier added, the offer to negotiate a takeover of the transit services by local governments was always open.

Mr. Bennett said that wherever he had travelled, buses remained a vital link in urban transportation. He said, "with a little more co-operation" major B.C. municipalities could remove cars from a single lane on downtown streets, giving Vancouver and Victoria a form of rapid transit using existing buses.

## Perjury Retrial

## Jury Charged Today

By A. H. MURPHY  
County Court Judge G. B. Laidner will charge the jury

today in the retrial on a charge of perjury against Frank Hulbert, 41, of Port Alberni.

Final prosecution evidence was given Thursday. The defence declined to enter evidence, and both prosecuting and defence counsel summed up.

The hearing has been interrupted continuously while counsel, in the absence of the jury, argued the admissibility of evidence.

## THREE WITNESSES

Only three major witnesses have been heard by members of the all-male jury.

One of them, Lewis T. Kamann, now of Nanaimo, said Thursday that while he was a policeman in Victoria near the end of 1947 or the beginning of 1948, Hulbert said to him:

"Sure I killed her — you prove it."

Kamann said that he was taller one night and went to court heads in the lockup. In a cell was Frank Hulbert, with whom he had worked at British American Paint Company in 1943.

## 'NOT FOR THAT'

Mitchell was an employee at Bapoo at the same time, Kamann added.

"I asked him if they had finally locked him up for the murder of Molly Justice," Kamann told the court.

"He didn't answer for a few seconds and then said he was not in there for that offence."

## 'WRONG MAN'

"I said in my opinion he should have been. I said in my opinion they had tried the wrong man for the murder of Molly Justice."

"He said to me, 'Sure I killed her — you prove it.' Kamann told the judge and jury."

The body of 15-year-old Molly Justice was found on a railway right-of-way near Swan Lake on Jan. 18, 1943, with 20 stab wounds.

## NOW DEAD

William Mitchell, a Victoria logger, was charged with the murder and acquitted at a trial during the fall assizes the same year. The court was told Thursday that Mitchell is now dead.

In March of 1968, Hulbert was

convicted of perjury during the 1943 preliminary hearing into the charge against Mitchell, and was convicted and sentenced to five years by Judge M. L. T. Drake.

The conviction was appealed by defence counsel Jack Gatehouse on the grounds that Judge Drake had misdirected the County Court jury on a matter of corroboration and, in July, the British Columbia Court of Appeal ordered a new trial.

## FIFTH DAY

It goes into its fifth day today.

Crown counsel Wallace Anderson contented himself Thursday with a review of the evidence. He asserted that the prosecution had made a strong case that Hulbert had, knowingly and under oath, perjured himself when he told the preliminary hearing that Mitchell had admitted to him that he (Mitchell) had killed Molly Justice.

Mr. Gatehouse dwelt at greater length on the testimony. There was no concrete evidence, he said, that witnesses had been properly sworn at a hearing 26 years ago, and there was the important matter of witnesses' recollection of events which happened that long ago.

## MEANT AS JOKE?

The remarks that the accused was alleged to have made to Mr. Kamann, Mr. Gatehouse maintained, could easily have been made jocularly.

He also said that it should not be forgotten that Mr. Kamann had admitted that he did not like Hulbert.

## Toppled Vehicle Ice Victim

Driver David Thompson, 2518 Westwick, walked away from overturned vehicle after he lost control near E & N roundhouse on Esquimalt Road Thursday afternoon, police said. Roads sometimes treacherous, sometimes friendly, have kept motorists on toes and number of minor accidents have been reported during weather's icy grip on Greater Victoria.—(William E. John)



Bill

## Seen In Passing

Bill Mason talking on the telephone . . . (A security officer, he works at the legislative buildings and lives at 1019 Rockland Avenue with his wife, Stella. They have a son, Bill and two grandchildren. Bill's hobby is reading historical novels.) . . . Don Georgehippen planning on re-modelling his kitchen . . . Marg-

aret Martin talking to a friend . . . Chris Braithwaite babysitting . . . Reg Ash working hard on his home . . . Stephanie Joyce looking forward to her 21st birthday . . . John Brownling trying to find a certain book for a birthday present . . . Don Taylor wishing they'd find a cure for the common cold.

## Not Charity, But Service

## Threads Will Co-ordinate Meals-on-Wheels Queries

The Silver Threads Service will co-ordinate all meals on wheels inquiries for an enlarged scheme to cover Victoria, Saanich, Oak Bay and Esquimalt, it was announced Thursday.

It was decided at a recent meeting of the Metropolitan Health Board to enlarge the scheme which has helped shunies in Saanich for some years.

In Saanich the service is municipally run, while in Oak Bay volunteer church groups are ready to give the service.

## SOCIAL SERVICE

Garth Homer, Community Welfare Council executive director, stressed that the scheme is not a charity venture or just for the elderly.

"The meals will be available to those who are incapable of shopping for, or preparing, meals and who have no-one to do this for them on a regular basis," he said.

"This does not mean that only elderly or indigent shunies will receive the meals, nor should anyone regard the scheme as charity, but rather as a vital social service," said Mr. Homer.

Meals will cost 50 cents each

and will be prepared in the kitchens at Goodwill Enterprises on Bay Street.

Each meal will cost Goodwill 90 cents to prepare, but only 40 cents will be paid.

Mr. Homer said Goodwill is prepared to contribute up to 75

meals a day for 40 cents to thank the people of Greater Victoria for their support.

If more meals are required and extra kitchen staff is needed, representatives of the intermunicipal committee have promised financial support.

## Stephen on Court Change

## Salaries Help Insufficient

Victoria Mayor Hugh Stephen said Thursday that provincial payment of magistrates' salaries would help municipalities, "but it will not help enough."

He said payment of magistrates by the province instead of by local government would not be enough to offset the loss in revenue to the municipalities brought about by the new driving demerits system.

The mayor estimated that the demerit system would result this year in a loss of revenue to Greater Victoria municipalities of about \$185,000, coupled with an increase in court costs because more drivers were contesting charges.

Mayor Stephen said he did not anticipate the province picking up the most of magistrates' salaries would save area municipalities more than \$50,000, which would still leave a net loss in revenue of \$135,000.

"It will help," he said, "but it will not help enough. Perhaps it is unfair to link these two things, but municipalities are necessarily concerned about any loss of revenue."